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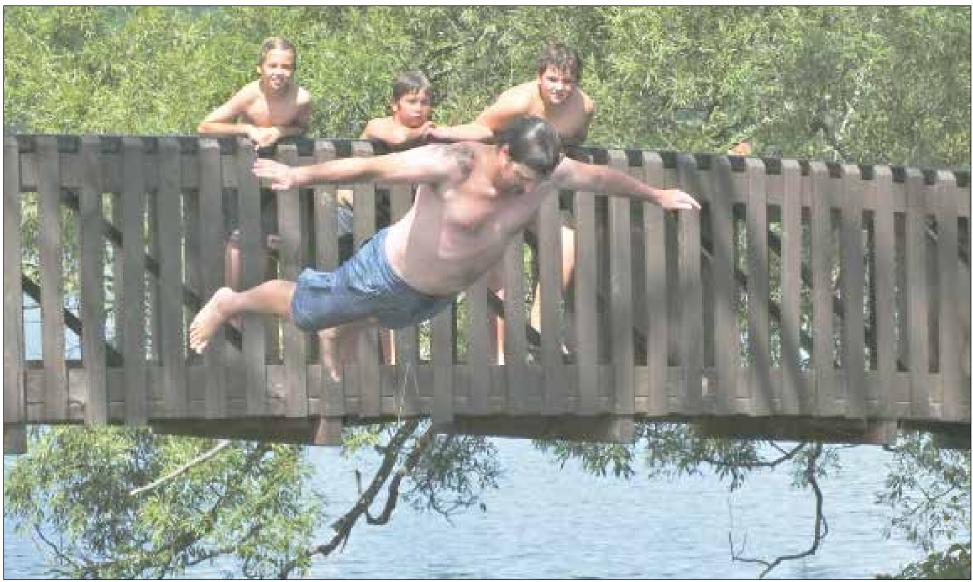
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That's gonna hurt: Jamie McNicol prepares for a belly-flop at the bridge in Head Lake Park. Photo by Alex Coop.

Chamber wants high speed action on Internet

By Lisa Gervais

The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce (HHCC) has joined with the larger Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) in calling for Premier Kathleen Wynne to commit dedicated provincial infrastructure money to developing and expanding broadband internet in remote and rural areas of the province, including Haliburton County.

Member services representative, Autumn

Smith, said with record investments being made by government in transit and transportation infrastructure, they and the provincial business advocacy organization are calling on the Ontario government to recognize that access to high speed internet is essential for the province's businesses to compete in the 21st century global economy.

"Local businesses in Haliburton County are becoming increasingly dependent on internet access for their everyday business practices," said Jerry Walker, president of the HHCC. "High speed internet access has become a necessity for doing business in today's economy and it is critical that all regions across Ontario have access to this essential infrastructure."

The local chamber says that without an overarching strategy - and tactics such as matching funding for private companies wanting to improve high speed internet - municipalities across the Highlands are left without a reliable partner to help fund important local initiatives to close the

digital divide.

North Frontenac Telephone Company recently received Canadian Radiotelevision and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) approval to register as a Competitive Local Exchange Carrier (CLEC). It told *The Highlander* last March it hopes to bring high speed internet to Minden, Haliburton and Bancroft at a cost of more than \$20 million.

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Internet demand outstripping progress, says EORN CEO Fell

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Smith said a number of companies have made similar promises in the past but a lack of financing has essentially killed those projects. She said that is why the chambers are pushing the government to come up with matching funding.

David Fell, the CEO of the Eastern Ontario Regional Network (EORN), created by the Eastern Ontario Wardens Caucus (EOWC) to address internet shortfall in eastern Ontario, says it applauds the chamber's stance. It received \$110 million from the province and feds seven years ago to put towards a \$175 million broadband expansion that is now in place. He said there have been vast improvements in coverage and speed but the demand is already outstripping the work they have. He said they are in the midst of preparing another funding application to the federal and provincial governments to further "close the gaps".

Fell said Bell has been contracted by the EORN to upgrade high speed internet

at municipal offices in the area which is why people are seeing those employees in Minden and Haliburton.

Smith said that while the chambers acknowledge some federal government spending in the last budget, "internet access continues to be an issue in parts of Ontario."

Our readers certainly agree.

Diane Peacock wrote on our Facebook page, "Way to go. I am sick of paying huge fees for a hub." And, Louise Deaking-Rowley added, "It's about time. I'm also

sick of paying huge fees for a hub with limited data use. I have to go to the library with my laptop to download my monthly Windows updates."

"By working with the Haliburton Highlands community and the Ontario business community, government can develop broadband policy that is responsive to existing needs while not dissuading private sector investment," Smith said.

Please read today' editorial for more on the chamber's letter to Premier Kathleen Wynne.



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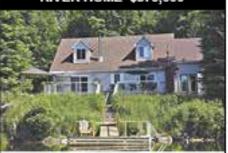
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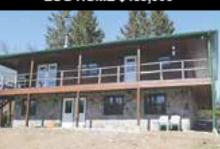
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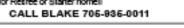
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Dear Premier Wynne: come try our Internet

Having worked in the Highlands for nearly seven weeks, I can say that the number one impediment to doing my job is the lack of high speed Internet.

Downloading from my e-mail or uploading files to our cloud server is a process that can slow to a crawl, especially if there are a few people in the office trying to do the same sort of things.

I used to find it strange that many people worked from home and went to the library when we occupied a modern, state-of-the art office in The Village Barn – just 2.5 hours from Toronto.

But I have come to realize what most of you already know - Internet is crap in the

I used to take my high-speed for granted in Lindsay for work and play, as we canceled the cable and switched to Netflix, where buffering was almost unheard of. I used to take the natural gas for granted too, but that's another editorial.

In my time here, I have heard about North Frontenac Telephone Company and its ambitious plans to bring high speed to the county. A search of the Canadian Radio-televison and Telecommunications Commission finds that North Frontenac has successfully registered as a proposed Competitive Local Exchange Carrier. But it is early days, folks. One wonders where the company will get the millions of dollars required to put the infrastructure in place

for such a venture. And, even if the money can be raised, how long will it take to get the service up and running?

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce put out a news release late last week basically saying the province has to do something about the lack of high speed in rural Ontario. The Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce (HHCC) put out a similar release on July 21.

They have basically called on the government of Premier Kathleen Wynne to commit infrastructure money to developing and expanding broadband Internet access in remote and rural areas of the province. Essentially, they are saying that infrastructure dollars from the province and federal government – usually spent to spur a sluggish economy – traditionally go to things such as roads. The province is ignoring the need for an Internet highway.

The chambers – and their members – want three things. First, that the province come up with a financial strategy to roll out broadband to areas such as ours. Secondly. since the private sector is driving broadband expansion, the government needs to partner with these entities to make it happen. They are calling for a matching funds kind of arrangement to keep these private sector parties interested. Thirdly, they ask for benchmarking Ontario's Internet speeds and access. In other words, we have to be able to compete with our global competitors.

The world of business has changed. Statistics point to the dearth of large employers and a growing trend to small office and home-based operations that are reliant on high speed Internet. How in the world can a business in Haliburton compete By Lisa Gervais with a similar business



in say, India, when its Internet is always crapping out.

If the province is looking for a test town to work on developing its rural and remote broadband strategy, then it need look no further than Haliburton County. We welcome Premier Wynne and her ministers to come and visit the Highlands and attempt to do their government business remotely from here. I am sure we can find someone to donate lodgings for a day or two so that they can get an idea of what we up here already know. I can just see it now. The premier hitting the send button on a very important missive to Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and watching her screen buffer.

In all seriousness, though, The Highlander invites the premier and her cabinet contacts to come and visit the Highlands to experience the Internet challenges that we have, and to meet with stakeholders to discuss how to make it work better.

Different But The Same

If there's one thing you realize when you travel around enough, it's that we're really not all that different. While that might sound terribly cliché, it's absolutely true. Human beings are much more similar than they are different. Despite our differing geography, topography, culture and race, the human population is connected more by sharing the same social circumstances and more so, the same economic climate.

This column is coming to you from a place called Stettler, Alta., which is kind of like Haliburton or Minden in only the most basic sense.

First, the differences.

Stettler is located in south central Alberta. It's a historic farming community with a good portion of oil production thrown in to boot (Alberta pun). In fact, that stereotype you likely have for Albertans is pretty much accurate here. There are cowboy hats, pickup trucks, saloons and cattle and oil derricks as far as the eye can see. Alberta, at least for this part of it, stretches towards the horizon and beyond. Sunsets here are epic.

They've adopted the moniker of "The Heartland of Alberta" which, in my opinion, I discover it's nowhere near Lindsay's says more about the heart than it does about the land. Technically, it's more south centrally located with most of the province to the north and to the west. Of course the name isn't about latitude and longitude.

It does truly exude prairie heart though, oozing the same common decency you can find in an area like ours. People are friendly, helpful, engaging and honest. It's the kind of place everyone feels like a friend or at least a friend-to-be so it's really not that hard to feel comfortable here.

Employment is pretty much as expected in a place like this, similar to ours in the duration and scarcity of work but different in the kinds of work actually available. Whereas we have health care, education, and service industry jobs (everyone has service industry jobs as a core), Stettler survives on oil industry jobs and farming. Opportunity here is about the same as what we have. If your dad doesn't own the business, you're likely moving to the city voluntarily or involuntarily. This fact of life says more about rural communities as a whole than it does about Stettler or Haliburton.

What really struck me about Stettler though is how (I thought) it was different as far as appearances go. I always try to guess an area's population by the amount and types of amenities it has. I see a Walmart, McDonald's, KFC, Canadian Tire and Boston Pizza among a lot of others which led me to assume Stettler's population to be something north of 10,000. To me it resembles Lindsay in a lot of ways although population which is around 20,000. Stettler clocks in at roughly 5,600 - in other words, Minden or Haliburton size.

In this was a huge revelation for me, that being the importance of location. Alberta Highway 12, which could be considered an important road for commercial travel in this part of the province, runs smack dab through Stettler. Trucks, and lots of them, flow through town importing and (mostly) exporting goods to market. In

other words, Stettler exists at the level it does commercially overwhelmingly because of its traffic.

What I'm trying to understand here is the importance a main thoroughfare plays in a town's prosperity or lack thereof. Minden



By Charlie Teljeur

(and Stettler) both have main highways that flow through town yet both places maintain relatively the same economic climate while Haliburton doesn't have nearly the traffic but still seems to be about even with those in the world of commerce. Minden and Stettler both exceed Haliburton when it comes to known franchises, namely the Canadian Tire and Dairy Queens of the world, but that seems to play little or no role in their ultimate prosperity. Walmarts and the like don't seem to be indicators at all of economic prowess which, to me at least, is quite the revelation.

What does this all mean? Frankly, I'm not sure. While I thought having a Tim Horton's franchise in Haliburton suggested we're moving up in the world, maybe it says nothing more than that the traffic in the area is simply large enough to make it onto Timmy's expansion radar. It does necessarily lead to a better economic climate or better, long term prospects for jobs, youth or advancement. As seen, Stettler proves that.

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Editorial opinion

300-plus names on post office petition

Dear editor,

I am writing in response to the article in the July 7th edition of the Highlander "Petition hits 150 names." I am sure the content was that of the information provided by Councillor Cecil Ryall and cannot fault the writer for the content being less than factual.

I personally submitted the petition and counted the signatures myself prior to submission and there was definitely 300+ signatures, further to that the petition is still collecting signatures and currently has 38 signatures on it. The last attempt to close/change the post office in Gooderham resulted in a petition of 500+ signatures. Many people that I have spoken to this time are hesitant to sign or just don't sign the petition as they figure why bother they (reeve and council) are going to do what they want anyway. They don't care what we have to say.

Also, I spoke to Cecil Ryall in regard to the dollar figure attached to the cost of operation and he told me that it was close to \$50,000 but did not exceed that. Now he is citing \$60,000 to \$80,000. I can assure you that the staff member does not earn that kind of salary. Surely the capital cost of 183 square feet of floor space doesn't cost that. I would love to see the numbers that support this claim.

Councillor Ryall states that "they (the municipality) is taking the overall smack on this thing" because the post office happens to be located in a municipal building. Well, yes, they are taking the "smack" rightfully so, because they (the municipality) made the decision to parts ways with Canada Post. The heat they face is not because of it being located in a municipal building. It's because of the underhanded back door decision making manner in which the municipality has and continues to handle this situation.

Yes, the truth is that postal delivery is a federal service. But the other truth is that Canada Post (federal level) has contracted the responsibility of the service to the municipality and is compensating them to do so. So the fault does not lie on Canada Post for not providing the service, they have done their due diligence.

Another issue that continues to be disregarded is the fact there (are) so many more services that (are) provided by the municipal staff members that currently operate the post office. And unless things have changed drastically from the past Ward 3 – Glamorgan/Gooderham provided the largest tax base for Highlands East. Can we not keep something for our tax dollars?

Chuck Viner Gooderham

PHOTO OF THE WEEK



David Mills holds a copy of *The Highlander* during his recent Lions trip to Japan. Submitted by Betty Mills.

Solterra Co-Housing project has not been abandoned

Dear editor,

I read, with interest, Alex Coop's detailed article on the lack of suitable housing for seniors in the County and appreciated the fact that he had contacted me for comment while writing the story. However, my comments as quoted may sound like the Solterra Co-Housing project planned for

Hilltop Road may have been abandoned. It has not. As a matter of fact, the investor, who advanced the money to purchase the property, has now indicated she would be interested in becoming one of the first residents.

That means that all we need is two or three more individuals or couples like Eddie Lehman to come forth and we can start to

build. It is entirely possible that this project could be up and running by this fall. This whole concept is designed to allow the Eddie Lehman's of Haliburton County to continue to live and enjoy the Highlands and at a fraction of the cost of moving to a retirement home somewhere else. To quote Eddie Lehman ... "Being able to talk to people and socialize is a

blessing in disguise," he said "Don't shut yourself out!" A co-housing unit can do that for you.

Bob Stinson Chair, Haliburton Highlands CARP Chapter 54

American politics and toilet humour

Many years ago, when I was first employed to write stuff, the powers that be very wisely thought it best that I get a little instruction on how to structure an essay or article, and so it was that I learned about micro and macro, two differing ways of starting to tell a story. The first, 'micro', involved picking a certain small part of the overall topic and painting a picture by focusing upon it. The second, 'macro', meant, obviously, the exact opposite: telling the big picture first, before honing in on the important points. I mention this because as I write this week's missive I'm torn between micro and macro. Let me elucidate.

If I were to go macro I'd start with a headline that might read 'Trump flushes America down the pan' but that all seems too obvious, too one-liner, rather boorish and readers may miss my intended subtleties which, while perhaps not very subtle (you'll see what I mean in a mo), are as far as I'm concerned are the important bit. And so I guess I'd best start with the micro, instead. Here goes.

Trump. Trump. Now, other than what Nelly the Elephant said, the word

may conjure one or two things, to you. There's that orange skinned idiot called Donald, of course, but more importantly there's the best suit to be holding in a euchre hand, yes? However, to me, the work trump means something all the more snigger-worthy and silly. And, until I looked it up in a dictionary of slang today I didn't realize that I am probably one of a very few here in Haliburton who is privileged to know and understand the full and proper meaning of the word trump.

You see, it is a word that I have been privy to all of my life. It's a word that while puerile did not offend my mum, when even the mere utterance of say, 'crap', was frowned upon deeply. It's a word that until my aforementioned investigation into it, I did not realize meant nothing like what I know it as meaning to almost anyone who lived even a few hundred miles from where I was brought up as a child.

You see, my 'trump' is a Northern English colloquialism. It could be used as noun or verb, and, in an on-line dictionary of English language it is described as such: *To give forth a trumpet like sound*; specifically to break wind audibly. Yes, trump means to fart where I come from and as such every time anyone even mentions Donald Trump I have to stifle a childish smirk. I mean, how can a man who, in addition to having bright orange skin and a haircut that defies both gravity and any form of realism, also be blessed with a name that means taking a toot!

But perhaps more importantly, how can that same man ever be taken seriously as a contender for the job of president of the United States? It is little wonder that most of what Donald Trump spouts sounds like it should be coming out of his backside! And, to take you back to the macro, if Donald Trump does become president of the USA the entire nation will surely be flushed down the crapper. Or, he'll effectively cause it to drop slowly into a large pit of stinky stuff at the bottom of the outhouse, as is the way to go when out and about in the bush in Haliburton County. Real political leaders will (hopefully) turn their backs on the freak show of a Trump presidency and carry on running the world without the 'assistance' of America and Donald. Europe (without the help of

Blighty because it really crapped out!), Asia, Africa, Russia and even South America will hopefully continue to stoically do

By Will Jones

business as usual while the USA slowly and quietly implodes in a wave of non-immigrant related poop brought on by massive debt and depression caused by the immense cost of building walls all around the country, and paying for plastic surgery for the Trump-meister's next wife. But now I'm getting political and I'm told I'm none too good at that. Instead, I'll go back to what I know and return to the scene of the first toot, so to speak.

Yes, 'trump'. Such a luxurious word, when said with gusto. "Truummp." You can see why it is used to describe one of the most natural and yet funniest of bodily functions. Go on, trump. Have a trump, start trumping but don't get trumped. Not by a friend, by an opponent in a game of cards, nor by a Donald because none of them are much fun and two of them really stink, if you get my drift. Well, erm not *my* drift exactly but you know what I mean!

Highlander opinions

Eye on the street: Where's the best place to swim?



Sharon Smith-Carter

Lindsay

Wherever you are works just fine.



Connor Robison

West Seneca

Uncle Darren's Lake, Kashagawigamog.



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At the cottage on Soyers Lake.



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The best place to swim would be Lake Kashagawigamog.



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Right now it's Lake Kashagawigamog. It's gotta be deep off the dock to play the animal game.

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Elizabeth May coming to Haliburton

Green Party of Canada leader, Elizabeth May will be the keynote speaker at Environment Haliburton!'s fundraising event Aug. 25.

Organizers said they had to shift the event from Aug. 8 to accommodate May's schedule.

The Saanich-Gulf Islands MP is tied up as a member of the House of Commons Special Committee on Electoral Reform

An Order of Canada holder, May will be speaking on the theme of The Climate Crisis: Where's the Action?

"This is an opportunity to hear from a political leader who is widely respected for her compelling environmental advocacy, work ethic and oratory acumen," EH! Said.

The event is at 7 p.m. at the Minden Community Centre (55 Parkside St). Admission is

\$10.

For more information, contact EH! President Carolynn Coburn at mccoburn@halhinet.on.ca, 705-754-9873 or vice-president Terry Moore at tmoore7031@gmail.com, 705-489-2619 (*Lisa Gervais*)

New A/C unit for Stanhope community centre

It's been a hot summer for visitors to the Stanhope Firefighters' Community Centre following the breakdown of the centre's air conditioning unit, but help is on the way.

Algonquin Highlands council approved a quote for removal and replacement of the unit at the July 21 council meeting.

Three companies responded to the call for tenders. Staff recommended Kegel Heating and Cooling's bid of \$18,820 plus HST. While higher than the lowest bid of \$18,425, it's considerably lower than the top bid of \$21,490, and Kegel's submission was the only one that met the call for tender as posted, according to staff.

The township budgeted \$22,000 for the work. (*Lisa Harrison*)

County in brief

Paddling with pride

Paddling with Pride, an event supported by Point in Time, is continuing every Thursday night at 6 p.m.

In a press release, Point in Time invited people to "come out and participate in a fun activity with a group of people who are working together to make positive changes in the community, and to support the LGBTQ++ population."

With this free event, Point in Time said it hopes to raise awareness and help support inclusion for all people. They run until Aug. 18

To RSVP, contact Mallory at Point in Time at 705-457-5345 ext. 315 or e-mail, mallorysw@pointintime.ca (*Lisa Gervais*)

Minden Hills looks into landfill seagull problem at landfill

The Township of Minden Hills is investigating ways to deal with seagulls at the Scotchline Landfill Site.

At its last meeting, councillors looked at a report from staff into the problem.

Some of the solutions in the report include the use of model or actual deadbir s to signal danger to other seagulls. Two decoys cost \$110 plus tax and shipping. Another option is balloons, but it is suggested that "scare eye" balloons have holographic eyes that follow the birds wherever they go. They cost more than \$50 U.S. each.

Propane cannons are another suggestion, at more than \$600 U.S.

A fourth option is a predator, but something such as a Harris' Hawk could cost \$45,000 to \$60,000 annually, according to the report.

Radio-controlled aircraft, at \$250 to \$15,000 plus wages, taxes and shipping, was also a possible course of action.

However, heli kites, auditory scarers, electronic repellers, ultrasonic scarers, cartridge scarers, benign acoustic deterrence, dogs, fireworks and combination scarers are all not recommended. (*Lisa Gervais*)

Residents angry about garbage dumping on property

By Alex Coop

A small creek on Swinson Road is usually a sight to behold, says resident Peter John, but it was recently marred by a pile of garbage that was carelessly dumped into the

And it is not the first time it has happened either, John explained after he took photos of the garbage.

The creek is part of his property.

"It shocks me to think that someone would discard their garbage like that," he said.

A few doors down, his neighbour, Terry Simpson says the garbage is most noticeable on Mondays.

"It piles up by the end of the weekend," he said.

Simpson said he thinks some people are too lazy to sort through their garbage before taking it to the Iron Mine Landfill, and instead, dump it along the side of the road or on people's property.

"One time, my wife and I found a wooden dresser in the ditch next to [Peter's] house!" he said.

The Township of Minden Hills stepped

in at one point last year to help John with cleanup during a similar incident, but hasn't received any complaints this year, said roads superintendent Travis Wilson.

"And if the garbage is dumped on private property it becomes more of a legal issue,"

Dysart et al's bylaw enforcement officer Ron Henselwood said the problem is more prevalent during the summer, especially around landfills.

He said he has occasionally looked through the garbage to try and find a paper trail leading back to the culprits.

"I've contacted them by letter before ... it's usually a cottage renter and they're usually apologetic," he said.

The garbage also attracts rodents and bears, Henselwood cautioned.

Environment Haliburton's vice president, Terry Moore says pure negligence plays a big factor.

"And it really doesn't cost you a lot to dispose of household garbage. It starts to get a bit costly with trailer loads, but I don't think this has to do with money," Moore



Garbage floats on the water on a resident's property near the Iron Mine landfill. Photo

said. "This has got to be people simply not caring."

The potential chemicals that enter the water due to garbage is a huge concern, he added, especially if the water is going downhill and enters another populated area.

It can also harm wildlife if eaten. Dysart's public works manager, Brian Nicholson suggested people take down the license plate number of the vehicle involved with the garbage dumping, if a vehicle is

Otherwise, contact your local bylaw

"And with everyone carrying a cell phone these days, pictures are a great way to document the required information," he

Moore said signs are another good way of potentially deterring polluters from discarding garbage on private property.

"If it says, 'smile, you're on camera' it might actually make them second guess their actions," he said.

Lions in Japan 'could've stayed longer'

By Justin van Lieshout

After spending 10 days in Japan for a Lions Club conference, Betty and David Mills have returned to the county.

"It was pretty awesome," said Betty, "we could've stayed longer."

David, who is now the district governor for 52 Lions clubs, attended four days of training, which was followed by a four-day convention open to general members.

Along with the convention training, David has been taking courses online all

"You get a better picture of the entire organization," said David, while reflecting upon how the organization comes together. "You come away understanding the organization's goals."

Focusing on the theme of new mountains to climb, Lions International is looking to increase membership and improve access to professional training in a variety of fields.

While the trip was focused on work, the Mills were able to take some time to explore the region.

Traveling to the botanical gardens on the

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David and Betty Mills in Fukuoka Japan. Photo submitted.

Nokonoshima Island with a local resident was the highlight of their free time.

"There are more buttons on the toilet than my TV remote," said David, blown away by how technologically advanced the

Impressed by the taxi drivers in suits, the cleanliness of the streets, and how

buses turn their engines off at stop lights to cut carbon emissions, the Mills highly recommend a trip to Japan.

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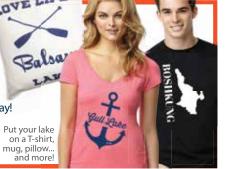
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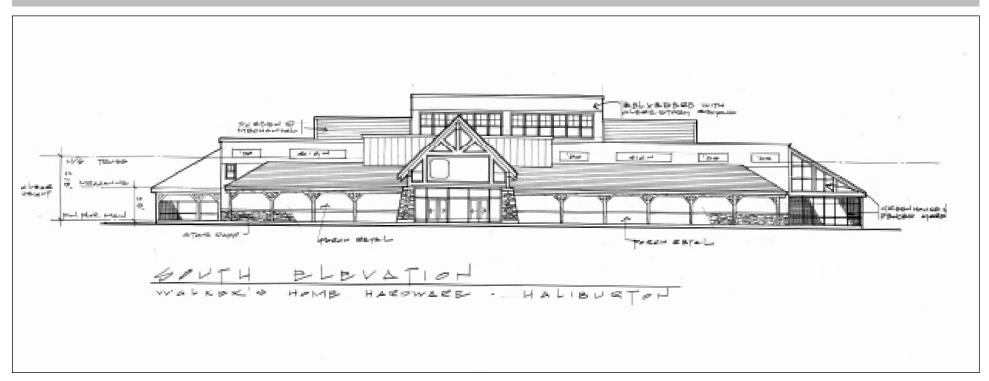
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Early plans for the new Walker's Home Hardware. Architectural drawing submitted by Jamie Chisholm.

Walker unveils plans for new store

By Alex Coop

Early plans for a new Walker's Home Hardware store in Haliburton were revealed during a regular council meeting in Dysart et al Monday morning.

The proposed 40,000 square foot building will be located next to Country Rose on the corner of County Road 21 and Industrial Park Road, and with the township's consent, would also include dock access to the river on the other side of the road.

It will be built on a concrete slab, and won't have a basement like the current store

Store owner Jerry Walker bought the four parcels of land, and was looking to get a site plan application from the township to get the project started.

The Country Rose is not part of the

development.

Some concerns were raised about the dock, primarily surrounding the issue of increased foot traffic near a busy intersection, but councillors largely supported Walker's plans to open up shop somewhere else.

"I'm thrilled to see you are pursuing this," said Deputy Reeve Andrea Roberts. "So much goes into the planning of a project this size."

Dysart's director of planning and development Patricia Martin suggested council obtain a site evaluation report and request approvals from the MNRF before considering the dock option.

Walker assured councillors he would have no problem dropping plans for a dock if it didn't get the green light, and thanked Martin for reviewing preliminary plans.

Jamie Chisholm, president of New

Urban Retail, the service development company helping Walker, said they want the building to blend in nicely with the surrounding natural environment and reflect the cottage country's aesthetics.

"It will reflect a cottage country rural building," he said.

New Urban Retail also helped build the new Beer Stone in Minden just off Highway 35.

Walker said the plans reflect a 50 to 60 per cent increase in retail space.

"Even though it looks like we're twice as big a store, we really won't be," he said.

A dry hydrant on the other side of the property was also suggested. (A dry hydrant is a pipe that has one end below the water level of a lake or pond.)

"I've already talked to [firefighters] Mike Iles and Miles Maughan ... it would allow [the fire department] to use that yearround," he said, adding other businesses could benefit from it as well.

Councillors agreed a dry-hydrant was a good idea.

Chisholm said they will work with the municipality and the county to make sure the dry-hydrant, and the various access roads surrounding the store, meet code.

The store will also have a greenhouse. Country Rose manager Joanna Nichols welcomes the new business on her block.

"We'd like to welcome them," she said enthusiastically. "Their presence is probably going to increase retail traffic." For 27 years now, the Country Rose has been serving Haliburton from its current location.

Construction is likely to start in 2017, with an official store opening planned for spring 2018, said Chisholm.

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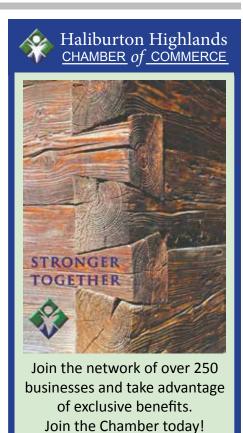
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Kyle Borrowman, left, Tim Reece, middle, and Vanessa Chaimerone talk about invasive species. Photos by Justin vanLieshout.

Highlands East learns about forest and lake health

By Justin van Lieshout

A number of ecological experts came together last Saturday to talk about invasive and threatening species that are inching their way towards Haliburton.

The Municipality of Highlands East organized a summit on Forest and Lake Health to address the concerns of citizens in the region centered around issues that could slowly destroy our forests and lakes.

The addresses started with James Rogers from the County of Haliburton outlining shoreline allowances and other regulations in place for the municipality. Rogers went into detail about the rights that property owners have when it comes to removing trees from their land and how they should care for their properties.

After Rogers completed his talk, the summit focused on invasive species that are already present in Ontario.

Featuring speakers from the Ministry of

Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH), and the Coalition of Haliburton Property Owners Associations (COHPOA), attendees learned about various species of invasive plants, insects, and tree diseases that are thriving in the changing Canadian climate.

A population explosion of a single invasive species will result in devastating conditions for our lakes and forests. According to Vanessa Chaimbrone from the MNRF, unmonitored species pose a huge threat to our local ecosystems.

"The tent caterpillar has already caused over one million hectors of defoliation," said Chaimbrone as she described the population growth in Canada.

"The problem is, that when they come into Canada they don't bring their controls with them," said Stephen Clare from the CFIA when describing the nature of invasive

But what can locals do to prevent these critters from sneaking into our lakes and forests? The irksome reality is that there's very little we can do.

All agencies are keeping a close eye on their respective areas of expertise and the best way to help is to report any anomalies you notice.

Whether that's to the MNRF or another agency, data collection is paramount in containing these outbreaks.

The next step is to make sure boats are properly cleaned before entering new lakes, bait and firewood is obtained and used locally and property owners remain vigilant in an effort to stop the mobility of invasive species.

Kyle Borrowman from the OFAH recommends reporting species and learning about these issues through eddmaps.org, an online and mobile application that aims to map and detect distributions of alien species across the nation.

"I left feeling motivated to become a more active steward of our gorgeous natural environment" said cottager Angela Dorigo reflecting upon the summit.

Dorigo is only one of the many needed to help keep an eye on these issues. While lakes are under attack from high phosphates, trees are fighting off diseases that threaten to permanently change our Canadian landscape. Although there's no reason to panic, It's time we pay attention to our natural surroundings.

"Learning about how to identify signs of disease in our forests and the importance of maintaining well-functioning septic systems and natural shorelines is vital when it comes to avoiding the grave consequences that will occur if we do not protect our lakes,' said Dorigo.

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Paramedics respond to a hit-and-run accident on County Road 21 July 21. *Photo by Mark Arike*.

OPP seek help locating hit-and-run driver

By Mark Arike

Police are searching for a dark-coloured pickup truck that left the scene of an accident last Thursday morning.

The collision occurred on County Road 21, about a kilometre west of Sterling Lane in Minden. The driver of a Carrier truck, a 46-year-old Peterborough man, told police he was headed toward Haliburton when a westbound vehicle went over the centre line and caused the collision, according to a report from the Haliburton Highlands OPP.

He was examined by EMS workers as a precautionary measure.

"I know he was showered with some glass," said OPP Const. Sean Hawley. "It might have been very superficial, but not anything serious."

The other truck was carrying a rear box camping unit. The driver's side was damaged in the collision.

A description of the driver who fled isn't available at this time.

Anyone with information is asked to call the OPP at 1-888-310-1122 or Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

Another incident on Highway 118 between Busy Road and Ablett Ct. in Algonquin Highlands Saturday afternoon resulted in one driver charged with careless driving.

Haliburton Highlands OPP said the twocar collision sent two people to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

No other details were provided.

Bank committee seeking public feedback

If we find that there is

a lot of negativity to it,

then we have to rethink

Criag McDonald,

spokesperson

what we're doing.

By Mark Arike

A committee of local residents and business owners is asking the public to fill out a survey by Aug. 31 to help them build a strong case to attract a credit union to Wilberforce.

The seven-person committee, known as People Before Profits, finalized the 16-question survey during a meeting on July 21.

"We're just trying to get a handle on what people really want,"

really want,"
said committee
spokesperson Craig
McDonald, adding
that some people
are afraid of a credit
union because they
are unsure of what
it is.

"If we find that there is a lot of negativity to it, then we have to rethink what we're doing."

The committee was quickly formed after Scotiabank announced it will be closing its branches in Wilberforce and Maynooth and consolidating in Bancroft in January. Nick Toritto, district vicepresident for the bank, confirmed the decision was final during a town hall meeting on July 12.

"We're not going to rule any option out right now," said McDonald, explaining that a few other banks will also be approached.

They are hoping to receive at least 1,000 completed surveys from seasonal and full-time residents. Anyone can complete it, including non-Scotiabank customers.

Questions address how customers

utilize their bank, the amount they would transfer from all accounts, and their reasons for making the switch, among others.

Shannon Hunter, CAO and treasurer for the municipality, created the survey after conducting her own research, said McDonald.

"There's certain information they [the banks and credit unions] would like to have to make their decisions."

During a public meeting in June, Hunter

said Kawartha Credit Union would require about \$20 million in deposits and assets to open a branch in the community.

There are more than 300 credit unions across Canada serving 5.5 million members, according to the

Canadian Credit Union Association.
Credit unions are full-service financial co-operatives that provide the same services as other financial institutions.
One of the key differences is they are owned by their members who are customers. Locally-elected boards of directors make decisions about the operation.

Credit unions are provincially regulated. People can complete the survey online at tinyurl.com/peoplebeforeprofits, or pick up a paper copy at most retailers in Wilberforce and the municipal office at 2249 Loop Rd. Those without access to a computer can log on at the library.

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Left: Willem Halfyard puts some of the finishing touches on his group's movie, *The Bedeviled Board*. Right: The abandoned Reid House next to the Haliburton Highlands Museum was one of the locations used for filming. *Photos by Alex Coop*.

Young filmmakers show off skills in festival

By Alex Coop

A fast-approaching deadline didn't prevent a group of young filmmakers from methodically putting the finishing touches on their short films hours before their concluding film festival.

Parents and friends gathered in the Haliburton School of Art and Design's Main Hall to see the culmination of a week's worth of work, which started July 18 in the classroom and ended Friday afternoon at the film festival.

The growing popularity of YouTube and easy-access to video editing tools are contributing to the Youth Teen Movie Making program's ongoing success, said instructor Tammy Rae.

"Kids love it," she said, adding the weeklong course is a perfect fit for the college's lineup of summer programs.

"Some of our summer students have ended up going to film school, some even came back to work with us full time," she said.

"We've even had five movies over the past eight years make it to the TIFF Kids International Film Festival in Toronto, which is very cool."

In five days, the program's participants, ages 10-17, discuss movie genres and learn about the basics of film-making before making their own masterpieces.

Newcomers to Youth Teen Movie Making were pleasantly surprised by the amount of fun they had, while returnees couldn't help but go through another week of filmmaking

"I thought it was going to be boring, but I actually had a lot of fun this week," said first-time program participant Mason Schick, who helped film, edit and starred in his group's comedy piece called Get Trumped, a comedy-adventure starring the Republican presidential nominee Donald

Emma Goldman decided to return to the program for another year, motivated by her mother's ongoing involvement in the film industry. Her group's movie Escape the Forest, a "cheesy adventure" loaded with one-liners, will also feature a glorious blooper reel.

Willem Halfyard and his group of five were excited for people to see their movie, The Bedeviled Board, a scary movie shot right beside the Haliburton Highlands Museum. It delivers on its creepy moments thanks to some clever editing, unique sound effects and enthusiastic actors and actresses. Students learn about basic editing tools found in Adobe programs like Photoshop and Premiere Pro.

Rae even showed one group how to use the green screen after realizing it could help them follow through with most of their original ideas.

The learning didn't stop a single group from cracking jokes and expanding their blooper reel, which ultimately built chemistry and resulted in a better finished product.

It's part of the reason why the program is so successful, said the school's dean Sandra Dupret.

"It's not just about the skills being used to make art, but it's also about building those skills that help you work collaboratively with others," she said.

Dupret was also thrilled to find out that some of the children were from outside of the province, some even travelling the United States.

"It's great that all these different perspectives and skills are coming together in an environment where they can play and be creative."

As part of the school's natural evolution, a new program called Moving Image Design, led by Rae, will start this September.

"It's 14 weeks, and they learn about lighting, sound, animation, editing, and then all of those skills will be brought together to create a short production that is about seven minutes long," Dupret explained.

There is no doubt that creative digital content is a rapidly-expanding corner of art and design, says Rae.

"It's no longer looked at like, 'oh, it's just kids playing on computers all day,'" she said. "Now, everyone understands that this is really an art form and it's another way to express yourself."



Highlander business





Movin' down the road ...

The Subway restaurant opened its doors to customers Wednesday afternoon after moving down the street to 177 Highland Street. The new building features additional space and a comfortable sitting area.

Middle: The restaurant, just hours before its reopening. Above: Employees Vijay Marathe, Nitya Sompura and Kanchan Marathe wait to take the first customers of the day on Wednesday afternoon. *Photos by Alex Coop*.



It's starting to look good ...

Work on the Hong Super Store in Minden continues with plans for a concrete sidewalk and fencing this week. Already, they have seeded for grass, done landscaping and graded the parking lot. *Photo by Lisa Gervais*.



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Cassidy Glecoff hopes to make it to the final round of the Open Mic International Singing Competition. Photo by Mark Arike.

Young singer advances in international competition

By Mark Arike

Sixteen-year-old Cassidy Glecoff had to beat out about 200,000 contest hopefuls to secure one of 13 spots in the Open Mic International Singing Competition.

In May, her mother Denise delivered the good news.

"My mom just kind of yelled, 'Cassidy, look!" she recalled in an interview.
"I was pretty excited."

The soon-to-be Grade 12 student at Haliburton Highlands Secondary School remains just as humble as she was when she broke into the local music scene two years ago.

"I was pretty surprised because there were so many people who auditioned," she said.

In recent years, Cassidy has graced many stages, including local events such as Colourfest and last weekend's Art and Craft Festival. She has even shared the stage with Canadian Country Music Hall of Famer Johnny Burke.

She first picked up the guitar and started

singing at the age of 11.

Her mom discovered the international contest in the winter.

"My mom just kind of searches for stuff like this on the Internet all the time. She just kind of entered me in it," she said.

For the first round, she submitted a short biography and audition video of her singing *Skinny Love* by Bon Iver. Once she learned she advanced she submitted more information and a second video of her singing *You and I* by Ingrid Michaelson in Canoe FM's Radio Hall.

The public voting round opened July 22 and continues until Aug. 8. The six acts with the most votes will move on to the grand finale.

Cassidy is one of four Canadians to make it this far.

Venuss Sharman, founder of the contest and Big Break Promotions UK, took the "unprecedented step" to endorse Cassidy.

"I and fellow judges voted unanimously in favour of this bright talented artist to continue into stage [three of] the Open Mic International Singing Competition 2016," wrote Sharman in a Facebook post to Denise. "For sure Cassidy has a bright future ahead of her as a recognized artist." I and fellow judges voted unanimously in favour of this bright talented artist to continue into stage 3# auditions the open mic international singing competition 2016. For sure Cassidy has a bright future ahead of her as a recognized artist.

The contest's website states the overall winner receives a share of \$10,000 British pounds (about \$17,000 Canadian based on the current dollar value). Other prizes include studio time and vocal lessons.

But Cassidy and her dad are unsure of exactly how the prizes are being distributed.

A confirmation number will be generated, which then must be emailed, along with Cassidy's name, to OpenMic-Vote@mail. com.

Duplicate email addresses and reference numbers will be eliminated from the final vote.

Cassidy would like to win, but she realizes

anything can happen now that it's in the public's hands.

"I don't really know what I'm up against," she said. "I haven't even seen videos of other people I'm against."

"I've watched a few, and honestly she's better than they are," laughed her dad, Jason.

The family is grateful for the support of the local arts community saying it has opened many doors for the young artist.

"I think that if I lived in the city, I wouldn't have a shred of confidence that I would move on to the next round. I feel like I wouldn't know as many people and definitely wouldn't have as many connections," she said.

"This community is amazing," said Jason.
"We've had overwhelming support from so many people up here."

To listen to Cassidy, search her name on YouTube.

To vote for Cassidy visit votefair.org/cgi-bin/votefairgenballot.cgi/votingid=08257-63311-42640.

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New auxiliary president a veteran volunteer

By Mark Arike

Jacqui Clarkson began visiting Haliburton in the 1950s as a cottager. It was on the shores of Haliburton Lake that she met her husband, Keith, when they were both 21 years old.

Twenty years ago, the couple, both of whom are 69, purchased a property on the same lake and spent their summers there. But it wasn't until they retired three years ago that they decided to permanently relocate to the Highlands.

"We call Haliburton home," said Clarkson in a phone interview.

"There has always been a draw and pull to Haliburton."

It was also three years ago that she became involved with the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary, a volunteer-run organization that raises thousands of dollars annually for hospital equipment. It has contributed

more than \$1.2 million of medical and nonmedical items to the Haliburton hospital since 1971.

"I have a couple of friends who are part of the auxiliary and I decided to go to a meeting with them to see what it was they were doing," she explained. "I enjoyed the meeting and became a member."

She got involved with the annual Tag Day fundraiser and helped run the gift shop at the

When outgoing president Tracey Lear asked Clarkson if she would be interested in becoming the new president, she thought she would give it a try.

"They were looking for people to volunteer on the board," recalled the retired school teacher, who also taught embroidery courses at the Haliburton School of Art and Design. "I felt I now had the time to do it. I said, 'yes, I'll help out."

Clarkson adds she has nothing but praise

for all of the volunteers.

"Everyone is very supportive. We're very fortunate that we have so many wonderful volunteers in our community," she said.

Although this is her first time on the board, Clarkson brings organizational and networking skills to the table. A bonus is that she is comfortable with fundraising.

"I don't mind that," she said.

Clarkson points out that while the hospital foundation is great at raising funds for major purchases, the auxiliary pitches in for some of the smaller, but equally important items.

Last year, her husband experienced a minor fall. He utilized the local ultrasound machine—a piece of equipment that was purchased by the auxiliary.

"We were able to use that rather than having to go to Peterborough."

As for her goals, Clarkson hopes to attract new members. She plans on continuing to fulfill the needs of the hospital with the help of her team.

Asked if her husband is a member, she jokes he doesn't have much of a choice.

"He is a member and he's very supportive it," she said.

Clarkson is also a member of the Haliburton Highlands Ouilt Guild and Grandmothers to Grandmothers, a campaign started by the Stephen Lewis Foundation. It supports grandmothers looking after orphaned children in Africa.

Auxiliary volunteers will be making their next appearance at the TORC races in Haliburton from Aug. 19-21, where they will be collecting entry tickets and hosting a raffle.

Their next big fundraiser is the International Dinner, with a Germaninspired theme, on Oct. 22 at the Haliburton

To contact Clarkson about volunteering or other inquiries, call her at 705-754-9851.

Pledges rise for Oxtongue Beetle Lake Trail detour Lake picnic pavilion

Pledges toward a picnic pavilion project for Oxtongue Lake Community Centre have topped \$5,400 to date, according to Algonquin Highlands staff.

The township submitted an application in June for some funding for the pavilion under the Canada 150 Community Infrastructure Program. The program requires community partnerships, and several groups are already involved.

According to the report at AH council's July 21 meeting, staff decided to also seek pledges toward related expenses such as picnic tables and are pleased with how quickly the pledges have come in.

The proposed 20-by-30-foot pavilion would support the community's cultural and tourism development efforts, including celebrations of Canada's sesquicentennial next year. (Lisa Harrison)

approved by MNRF

A work permit application to reroute the Beetle Lake Trail in Algonquin Highlands has been accepted by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

The township removed the trail bridge over Oxbow Creek last year due to serious deterioration, effectively dead-ending the trail on either side.

AH staff reported to council on July 21 that new trail cutting will be done this summer to create "lollipop" loops on each side of the creek.

Despite an unsuccessful bid for Canada 150 funding, AH is working on a conceptual design for a suspensiontype trail bridge that will be presented at council when complete. (Lisa Harrison)

Airport fuel revenues jump in June

Jet fuel sales at Haliburton/Stanhope Municipal Airport skyrocketed by 1,320 per cent in June over the same month last

As a result, Algonquin Highlands realized revenues of \$13,810 for the month compared to \$972.60 in 2015.

Airport manager Cam Loucks reported the numbers at AH council's July 21 meeting. He attributed the spike primarily to increased activity by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), which now has its Haliburton fire management headquarters at the airport.

"June was an intense month for forest fires in the area," said Loucks. The Haliburton MNRF office is one of several serving the northeastern Ontario region. The fire index remains high.

Loucks also attributed some additional

air traffic to Delightful Temptations, the successful new food truck operation that launched in May. (Lisa Harrison)

AH seeks funding for playground equipment

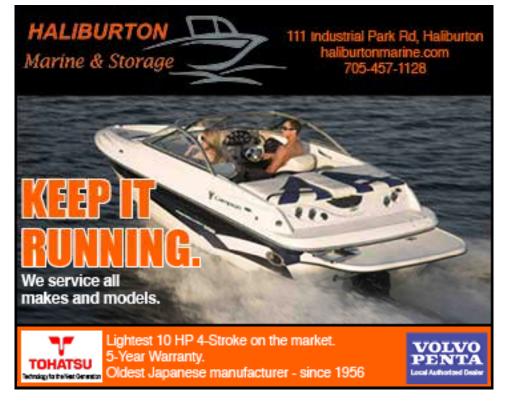
Algonquin Highlands in brief

Algonquin Highlands will apply for \$50,000 for accessible playground equipment for Stanhope Park under the Enabling Accessibility Fund.

Council decided at the July 21 meeting to apply for the full amount available and contribute up to \$25,000.

The decision was based on a staff recommendation for a project expenditure of approximately \$67,500 following council's comparison of drawings and pricing options from three suppliers.

Municipalities must make cash and in-kind contributions of at least 35 per cent of the overall project cost. (Lisa Harrison)



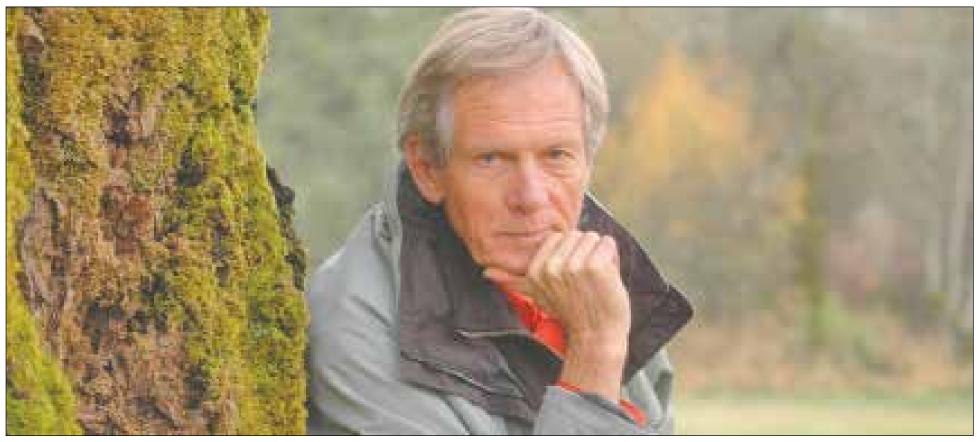


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Renowned wildlife artist Robert Bateman will attend the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust charity golf tournament Aug. 11 at the Pinestone. Photo credit to Carol Crenna.

Bateman on-board for the Land Trust

By Lisa Gervais

Renowned wildlife painter, Robert Bateman, has thrown his support behind the upcoming Haliburton Highlands Land Trust's first charity golf tournament.

HHLT's director of resource development, Pat Warren said she was delighted that the Land Trust had been able to attract such a high profile guest for its dinner following the golf tournament.

"Mr. Bateman certainly raises the profile of this event by accepting our invitation to attend," Warren said. She added that Bateman's work naturally aligns with the work of the Land Trust.

The dinner will be held in the main ballroom after the day of golf. One of the items up for auction is a signed, limited edition Robert Bateman print.

Non-golfers can attend the dinner and auction only for a price of \$50 a person.

The Land Trust and The Pinestone Resort and Conference Centre announced back in May that they would be partnering on a golf tournament.

It will be held Aug. 11.

It has been dubbed the 'Wild About Nature' event and also has been called 'tee

up for the trust."

"We are looking for players and sponsors who are interested in having fun while supporting the HHLT with our efforts to conserve land, conduct research, and provide education. The Land Trust helps our community and visitors understand that protecting the land is essential to securing our future so we grow in harmony with our environment. A healthy economy depends on a healthy environment," Warren said.

The partnership aligns with The Pinestone's new green initiatives which John Teljour is implementing. These include water and energy conservation initiatives as well as buffering around water courses. Mr Teljour is "excited about the partnership and the green initiatives going forward".

Early bird pricing has ended but the tournament is still looking for players. Cost is \$135. The event includes a light lunch, dinner with Robert Bateman, an 18-hole best ball scramble, and some wonderful prizes. Shot gun start at 12:30 p.m.

People can register via paypal at haliburtonlandtrust.ca. Or for additional information, call 705-457-3700 or email patricia.warren@haliburtonlandtrust.ca.

A different kind of camp

By Lisa Gervais

A soldier for seven years, Melissa Moody is no stranger to boot camps.

However, she has just returned from a business boot camp in St. John's NL, where she and 18 other veterans of the Canadian Forces were offered training to start new working lives.

Moody, who is only 32, is on a veteran's pension for a broken back she suffered during one of her deployments with the special forces. She also decided to leave the military when her daughter was about 2.5 years old, as she and her husband, who was also a soldier, realized the difficulty of raising a child while in the military.

The family now live in Kinmount and Moody's dream is doing birth photography. She has launched a business called "Melissa Moody Birth Photography."

She stumbled across the business boot camp when she was looking for loans for former soldiers launching businesses. She applied in January and was accepted. Moody told *The Highlander* it was an "amazing opportunity" on a number of fronts. She said it was the equivalent of getting a master in business administration (MBA) in one week.

The boot camp was held at Memorial University Newfoundland (MUN) and the veterans were taught by professors about everything from marketing and accounting to human resources and business ethics.

The boot camp is part of a national program that holds annual sessions in four cities across Canada. The program was started by MUN's Enactus student team in 2008, before they partnered in 2012 with the national organization Prince's Operation Entrepreneur. Student volunteers organize most of the week, while also working one-on-one with the participants in the evenings on their business ideas. Since 2012, some 250 military personnel have gone through the boot camps and went on to start 161 businesses.

Moody said the week has equipped her with the information she needs to



Melissa Moody, a Canadian Forces veteran, looks over paperwork from her recent business boot camp in St. John's, N.L. *Photo by Lisa Gervais*.

take her business to the next level. More importantly, it has helped her to gain

confidence in her vision.
"I learned a lot on everything."

Highlander community



Who you gonna call?

Brandon Bailey wears Ghostbusters gear he has acquired over the years to promote his upcoming appearance in the 2016 Rotary Carnival parade, Aug. 3 in Haliburton. He also donned the gear for the recent opening of the new Ghostbusters movie at the Highlands Cinemas in Kinmount, where he "swept" the theatre for ghosts on opening night. Photos by Lisa Gervais.

Miskwabi members get ove uour Lake update

The Miskwabi Area Community Association (MACA) held its 42nd annual general meeting recently at the "Airport Strip" across from the Miskwabi Lake boat launch on Trapper's Trail.

MACA represents property owners on Long, Miskwabi, Negaunee and Wenona

Approximately 75 members attended the meeting. Reeve Murray Fearrey and

Ward 2 Councillor Derek Knowles were the guest speakers. Members received an update on the "Love your Lake" shoreline evaluation program currently underway on the four lakes. Also on the agenda was discussion regarding invasive species and the recently approved severance application on Wenona Lake. A raffle and barbecue followed the meeting. (Andy Mosher)



About 75 people attended the Miskwabi Area Community Association AGM on July 10. Photo submitted by Andy Mosher.

Highlander history

Monmouth Fire Department and Old #1: a history

Submitted by Matthew Desrosiers

The Monmouth Fire Department can trace its beginnings back to an old 1942 Ford army surplus truck and a fire on Anderson road in Tory Hill.

Back in the 1950s, the fire department didn't exist like it does today. If a fire broke out, it was neighbours and community members who rushed to the scene – with water buckets, not pumper trucks – to save the day. But all that changed in 1959.

A house caught fire in Tory Hill. Neighbours and friends from Tory Hill and Wilberforce called in a fire truck from Haliburton to help, but when it broke down, there was nothing for them to do but cart water from the creek in buckets to throw on the house.

They put out the fire – the building is still standing on Anderson Road today – but it was decided then and there that it was time for Monmouth to have its own fire department, with proper equipment, to make sure the community was safe.

So they got together, raised some money, and bought an old war surplus truck from Ron Mumford out of Harcourt. It was retrofitted with a wajax pump, hose, and a 350-gallon water tank. And so the Monmouth Fire Department was born.

Old #1 began its career in Wilberforce. It was housed in the old fire building, located where the real estate offices are now, across the street from the municipal office.



Old Number One. Submitted.

Although it only had a 350-gallon water tank – the department's current pumper carries 1,500 gallons – it got the job done.

They didn't have many house fires back then, but Old #1 excelled at fighting grass fires. Its 4x4 transmission allowed it go just about anywhere the department needed, and in Monmouth, that was an invaluable asset to the firefighters.

Just as it is today, it was hard for the Monmouth Fire Department to cover its entire area with just one truck. So in 1967, they purchased a second pumper to stay in Wilberforce, and Old #1 was transferred to Tory Hill.

It was up to the firefighters to raise the money for their equipment and trucks. Although they did have some help from the township, the department was not part of Monmouth – again, much different than it is today.

We're unsure exactly when Old #1 was taken out of service, but we do know it was replaced by a 1969 Dodge.

By restoring Old #1, the Fire Heritage Committee hopes to pay homage to all

the men and women who protected this community before, during, or since the start of the Monmouth Fire Department. This old truck is a part of our community, and in Highlands East, we look after our own.

Thank you for your support. Highlands East Fire Heritage Committee A big thank-you to Don Finlay, one of Monmouth's original firefighters, for sharing Old #1's history with us.

See 'What's on' on pg. 51.





Highlander storm



Storm family welcomes newcomers

Local league provides exciting alternative to rep hockey

By Alex Coop

A number of young athletes are joining the Highland Storm hockey league for the first time, says Rich Smith, executive member of the hockey organization, and he is excited about the road that lies ahead for the young athletes.

"It's going to open up a whole new world for them," Smith said. "As they develop on the ice, you can see that confidence in themselves grow."

That confidence trickles down to life off the ice as well, he added, and that even if a child has never played hockey before, the Storm will make sure they feel comfortable on a feam.

"I've heard parents tell me, 'people ask me why I pay for my kid to play hockey'," Smith said. "And they respond with, 'I'm not paying for them to play hockey, I'm paying to see them have fun and build character'."

The Storm's two hockey leagues accommodate children's different dedication levels to the game. The rep league, a competitive scene where players play for a playoff berth, is complemented by the more casual local league, which recently endured some changes to its format.

Smith said the local league has a more structured format that will hint at more competitive play, but ultimately won't take



Players from the Bantam A team watch the action from the bench. File photo.

away from the league's casual nature.

Travel will not be an issue, he added.

"It basically increases opportunities for the kids to develop their fundamental skills," he said.

"We realize that children have different levels of commitment to the game, so we have these two systems that might light a fire underneath these athletes to keep working on their game, build character and make friends."

A survey last year revealed that players in the local league were happy with the

atmosphere, but simply wanted a little bit more structure.

"They want to play hockey the way their heroes do on TV," Smith said.

The \$100 rebate offered to new registrants has helped attract new people to the game, Smith said.

"Our numbers are up thanks to this incentive."

The rebate applies to any age group within the local league.

Smith is currently coaching a girl's hockey team from Bancroft, and the transformation

of his players on and off the ice is why he continues to remain involved with hockey.

"Sometimes you see kids come into the league who are insecure and lack confidence in themselves, but I want them to be fearless," he said. "Hockey is a great tool that helps develop those things."

Opportunities to play hockey in August will be available through various camps in Haliburton. Visit camphockeyhaven.com for more details.





Highlander sports



Young local makes a big wake

By Justin van Lieshout

On Saturday, the Roots Wakeboarding provincial championships were held in Bala, at the Bush's Watersports Park.

Local teenager Jacob Bishop placed first in the intermediate men's division.

Riders in this division are just learning their first inverts and spins, and can perform three moves in which spins and inverts are no higher than a 360.

After five years of wakeboarding, all that practice has paid off.

Bishop will be advancing to the world's competition held near Sugar Beach in Toronto.

The world's competition will be using the Toronto 2015 Pan Am location at the end of August where Bishop will compete.

"I'm so excited to see how far he can push himself at worlds," said cousin Jessica Bishop, "He worked really hard to accomplish this."

Jacob's parents, Drew and Kristin have been supporting him throughout the entire journey.

"Drew and I are extremely proud of Jacob and his accomplishments," says Kristen, "It's really an incredible opportunity for him to be competing at the same venue as the world's best riders."

Jacob, only 17, has been demonstrating his natural ability in competition for the past four years.

The Nautique WWA World Championships take place August 25-28. Jacob's entire family will be cheering him on as he makes a splash.

Pictured above: Jacob Bishop takes first place at the Roots provincial wake championship. Right: Bishop jumping a wake. *Submitted*.

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Highlander sports



Special Olympians get a taste of shuffleboard

By Alex Coop

Members of the Special Olympics Red Wolves team had no problem getting the hang of shuffleboard during a hot Friday afternoon.

They also enjoyed the opportunity to interact with an enthusiastic shuffleboard community in Minden.

"My favourite part is shooting and meeting new people," said Jason Kitchener, a Red Wolf who quickly got a handle of the sport after playing it for the first time a week prior.

Previous shuffleboard club president Wayne Jones said their group is always looking for ways to incorporate newcomers in to the game.

"Our club is open to various groups playing under the supervision of a club director," Jones said, adding that the shuffleboard court is not something that can be accessed 24/7.

Phylis Baker, a support worker with Community Living Haliburton County said the athletes appreciate the guidance coming from the shuffleboard experts, like Jones and the club's president, John Fortune.

Introducing shuffleboard to new groups ultimately creates a positive atmosphere, Fortune said.

"It's a lot of fun for us and them," he said while keeping score of the games being played.

Curler Dawn Piercey, another member of the Red Wolves, said shuffleboard is very similar to curling, a sport she is very familiar with and excels at during the winter.

"I'm learning the sport quickly," she said. "It's a great sport to play during the summer."

There is no shuffleboard court in Haliburton, Fortune said, adding it's a tight-knit community that spends a lot of time playing in the nice weather.

The Haliburton District Community of Special Olympics Ontario has 35 registered athletes.



Left: Jason Kitchener slides a disc across the board during a friendly game of shuffleboard at the courts in Minden. *Photos by Alex Coop.*



Highlander sports





Left: Hailey Smith crushes the ball while at bat. Middle: Nolan Bitten prepares to swing at the ball. Right: Alissa Mantle looks to throw the ball to home plate. *Photos by Alex Coop.*



Learning the game

Children from across Haliburton gathered together at the ball diamonds in Minden behind the S.G Nesbitt Community Centre on Monday for some softball action. The township's Youth Softball League is for kids ages 3-16 and is held every Monday.



Youth and adults hit the pitch every Tuesday

Soccer players young and old took to the soccer pitches at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Tuesday afternoon. The evening started with the youth league facing off in a couple of friendly matches, followed by adult play between the Royal Homes Minden Blue team and the Dollo's Foodland Red Team. The Minden Pharmasave Green team took on the Minden Pharmasave Gold team. The league's organizer, Tom Thurley said the league usually has a few international players joining them for the summer. This year, Thurley said they have one player from Singapore, one from Texas, one from Mexico and two from Great Britain.

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Highlander outdoors



Above: Frank Gruppuso and Jack McCallum. Top right (inset): Lions member Larry Luther hands first-place winner Jim Dodd the trophy and a certificate. Top right (inset 2): Haliburton Highlands Bass Club member Ted Soan weighs an entrant's fish. Right: Mike Harrison holds up his catch after an afternoon of fishing on Kushog Lake. Photos by Alex Coop.

All the prizes were donated by businesses from across the county, said Minden Lions president Larry Luther, who thanked everyone for participating and encouraged people to prepare for another tournament next summer. (Alex Coop)





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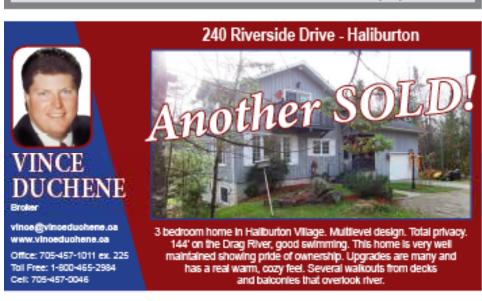
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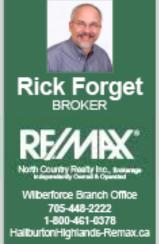
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Top: Michael Butz at his booth. Above: A Janus Sculpture piece. Photos by Alex Coop.

Getting crafty at Head Lake Park

By Alex Coop

The sound of buskers filled the air while bustling crowds navigated through Head Lake Park during the 53rd annual Arts and Crafts Festival last weekend.

Zoe Orion and her sister Kahala Orion turned heads thanks to their skills with fiddle and keyboard.

Together, they were raising money for the child they sponsor in Cambodia, while also setting some aside for university.

The bridge was also a popular destination, and it was where many people decided to beat the heat by jumping into the water. A crowd even formed at one point to watch a young boy perform acrobatic dives into the water.

Every booth drew interest from visitors, who seemed to appreciate the diverse pieces of art that ranged from wood and ceramics to glass and fibre.

It was normal to overhear someone say, 'this will look beautiful in the bedroom,' or 'where else am I going to find something like this?'

Laurie Jones, director of the Rails End Gallery, said more than 60 volunteers donated their time to bring the park's biggest show of the year to life and successfully host the 126 registered vendors.

"There is something for everyone at this festival."

Highlander events

Fleming's reclaim artist is in residence

By Lisa Gervais

Spending hot summer days at a landfill isn't everybody's cup of tea but Valerie Ashton is enduring odour, heat, flies, seagulls, and one bear to date, in the name of art.

Ashton is the Haliburton School of Art + Design's 2016 Reclaim Artist in Residence.

The Highlander caught up with her at her Fleming studio Friday, a small wooden outbuilding with artwork on the walls and plastic bottles strewn across the floor.

"Good," she said, when asked about how it is going, before adding with a chuckle, "it's a really hot summer and I'm spending it at the landfill."

She said she goes most mornings when the landfill is open, asking people to give her things before they put them in the dump.

She shares an amusing story about stepping on what she presumes was a child's toy in the rubbish and having it emit the words, "we should get back to work."

The residency began last year with artist Rosemary VanderBreggen as a joint venture with the community, the landfill and the college.

Both artists are graduates of the college's Studio Process Advancement Program. Ashton, who hails from Stouffville but cottages on Gooderham Lake, is challenging the way people look at discarded items by transforming them into art.

In addition to collecting and repurposing, she is experimenting with techniques at





Left: Valerie Ashton looks at some of the plastic bottles that she has collected and plans to turn into a sculpture for the school. Right: Valerie Ashton holds up a wooden labyrinth game she found at the landfill. *Photos by Lisa Gervais*.

the landfill by creating "rolled landfill landscapes", using paint to uncover the natural patterns found within the discarded.

Her studio will be at the college until Aug.

"I have always had an environmental conscious by doing simple things like bringing my own bags to the grocery store.

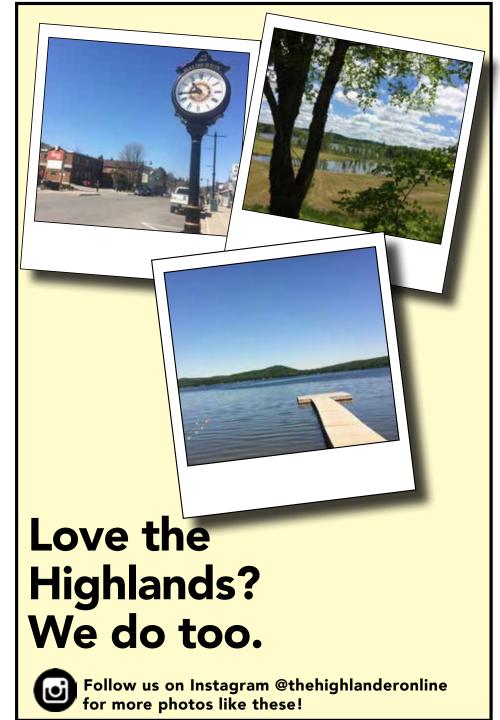
Initially when I would go to the landfill site I found it gross, but I have begun to think differently. Most people don't have a full understanding of what ends up there. I didn't. My hope is that I can inspire other people to think differently," says Ashton.

Ashton invites people in the local community to become involved in her

endeavour by bringing her objects that might otherwise have ended up in the trash. She is available for visitors Monday and Wednesday between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. as well as Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons.



Highlander arts





Sharon Lawrence was one of nine writers who gave a reading at Tall Pine Tales. Photo submitted by Irene Davidson-Fisher

Writers tell Tall Pines Tales

By Mark Arike

Local literary artists shared their material with others during the fourth annual Tall Pine Tales at The Community Room in Haliburton.

The sold-out July 20 event was hosted by the Cottage Country Writers.

Public readings were provided by Fred Gregory of Carnarvon, Sharon Lawrence of Minden and Margot Ziorjen of Minden. Muskoka writers included David Franks, Yvonne Heath, David Bruce Patterson, Murray Payne, Sherry Rondeau and

Jennifer Turney.

Author Jim Poling Sr. was the master of ceremonies.

Other upcoming readings in the series will take place on Aug. 10 in Baysville and Aug. 22 in Bracebridge.

The Cottage Country Writers consists of volunteer coordinators from Muskoka and the Haliburton Highlands. They organize and plan the event in memory of the late Melody Richardson who started it in 2013.

For more information call Irene Davidson-Fisher at 705-286-9947 or email idf@sympatico.ca.

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Nearly 30 years of Gospel concerts in Coboconk

Performances every Sunday night until Aug. 28 By Lisa Gervais

There's a living miracle playing out in Coboconk, where two small churches have managed to keep Sunday night gospel concerts alive for 29 years now.

Every Sunday night since 1987. parishioners of Faith Tabernacle and Trinity Full Gospel – as well as townsfolk and visitors – have been converging on the parking lot of the local grocery store to get their fill of gospel music with a side order of preaching.

Pastor David Campbell, of Faith Tabernacle, said it all began when a former pastor approached the owners of the then IGA, about allowing them to use the parking lot for the concerts and they were "very gracious" to say "sure, go right

A lot has changed since then, including how the IGA is now a Foodland at the corner of highways 35 and 48. However, the concerts have remained, and will mark their 30-year anniversary next summer.

Asked if a committee keeps things ticking along, Pastor Campbell chuckled a bit before saying he and Trinity Full Gospel pastor, Brian Rennick do a lot of the work with some church helpers.

It is a labour of love that sees the two pastors ringing around as early as January to try to find potential performers.

He said they have been incredibly fortunate that entertainers keep coming and that it is out of kindness and faith, since "they sure don't come for the money because there isn't much." Rather, the concerts are by freewill offering with the proverbial hat passed around. He said they have had singers from London, ON, St. Jacob's, Peterborough and Oshawa.



A gospel group sings for an appreciative crowd during a recent Sunday night concert in Coboconk. Submitted.

"We just work on it together. Before the summer, we have a lineup ready to go," Pastor Campbell said.

The concerts last for about an hour and one of the pastors usually talks for about five minutes or so to the assembled, most often seated in their lawn chairs from home and snacking on popcorn either from home or the nearby store.

He said they try to keep the verbal preaching to a minimum since people are already "listening to the gospel in sound." They attempt to get the message across about how God loves them and has a plan for them, he said. The entertainers often share stories about how they came to know

"People love to come, and enjoy the

music."

"It's about taking the church out of our four walls."

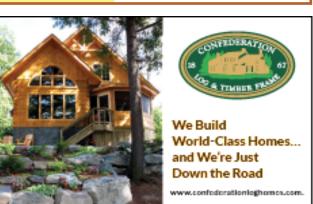
The concerts are held every Sunday night at 7 p.m. in the Foodland parking lot. All are welcome. They are continuing until Aug. 28.

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Tia Brazda performs at the Haliburton Highlands Museum. Photos by Alex Coop.

The soothing sound of jazz

Canadian jazz singer, Tia Brazda filled the Haliburton Highlands Museum with the cool sound of jazz during a hot, muggy Saturday evening. Brazda, originally from Vancouver, burst onto the jazz scene in 2012 after her debut EP Cabin Fever skyrocketed to the top spot on iTunes Canada Jazz charts. She has also appeared on CBC Radio 1, Jazz FM 91.1 and college radio stations across Canada. Her striking stage presence, emphasized with her sassy songs and colourful style wowed the crowd. People bobbed their head or sang along to every song Brazda and her band performed. Museum director Kate Butler told councillors at the Dysart et al meeting Monday morning that the show was a huge success and a larger venue will be considered next year to accommodate the growing number of people interested in jazz. (Alex Coop)



Nicole Coward plays her guitar at the Canoe FM Radio Hall. *Photo by Alex Coop.*

Songbird pays a visit to Haliburton

For years, Nicole "Songbird" Coward dreamt of being a fulltime musician, and during a visit to Haliburton Sunday afternoon, she explained how she was living that dream. "This is the first year I'm doing it. Thanks to places like Canoe FM and individual folks like you who come by and support me, I'm following my dream and doing music full time," Coward told everyone in the Canoe FM Radio Hall. The indie folk singer from Vancouver has been making waves across the world ever since she launched her self-produced debut album "Why Don't You Care" in 2012, Her 2014 EP "Strong Enough for Love" has been added to playlists in more than 100 radio stations across North America and the United Kingdom. (Alex Coop)



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HHHSF Golf 2016



Services Foundation, right, greets golfers. Photos by Mark Arike.

Duchene golf classic raises \$50,000

By Mark Arike

The Matt Duchene Charity Golf Classic continues to be the single largest fundraiser for the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation (HHHSF),

This year's tournament will net close to \$50,000. The money will help buy a bone densitometry machine for the Haliburton

"It's a bit of a long day, but it's a great day," said Dale Walker, HHHSF executive

A total of 188 golfers, including the local NHL star himself, teed off at the Pinestone Resort on July 21 for the annual event. More than 200 people gathered at the

resort in the evening for a buffet dinner, and a live and silent auction which raised \$14,000 of the grand total.

The top team consisted of players, John Glass, Corey Ruston, Angelo Devera and Anthony van Lieshout. They won a golf foursome to Deerhurst in Huntsville.

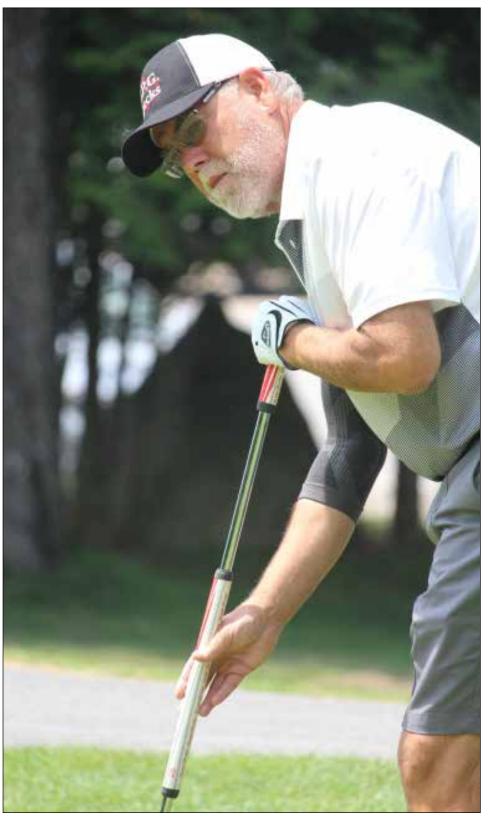
Walker thanked the golfers, sponsors, donors, volunteers and Duchene for their support.

Duchene and his family were given beer glasses made by Artech Studios. A few are available for purchase at the foundation's office.

The tournament, formerly known as the Rotary Charity Golf Classic, has raised about \$750,000 since 1997.



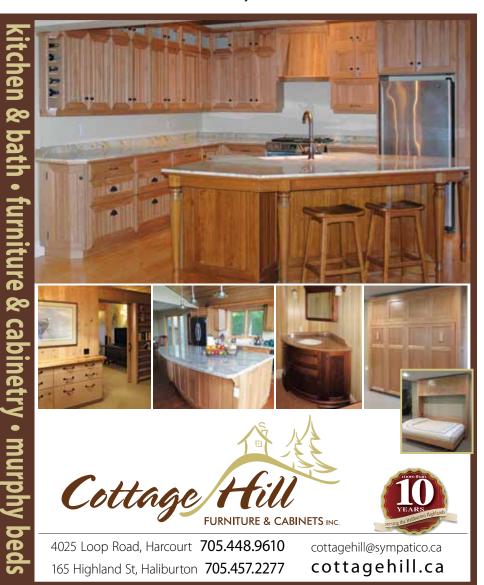
HHHSF Golf 2016







Left: Corey Ruston attempts a 20-foot putt on the 18th green. Above: Foundation volunteer Irene Fisher drops a ticket in the 50/50 draw. Bottom left: Haliburton resident Brian Black tees off on the first hole. *Photos by Mark Arike*.



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Top: Brigitte Gall emcees the evening's show. Inset: James Gilpin generates laughs while giving his perspective on hunting. Above: Cedric Butz, a member of local band Dark is Our Danger. *Photos by Mark Arike*.

Cabaret kicks off at Stone 21

By Mark Arike

A comedian, magician and band performed for a full house at Stone 21, Pinestone Resort's restaurant and bar, on July 21.

"It's a great way to get everybody in the community together," said Brigitte Gall, event organizer and emcee of Cab 21 (short for Cabaret).

Gall, a Minden resident, began discussing the idea a year ago with food and beverage manager Collin Burke and local artist Victoria Ward.

"We were talking about how it would be great to have a venue where you could have all kinds of different performance styles." she recalled.

When she lived in Toronto, Gall produced cabaret shows for a couple

of years. She is an accomplished actor, writer and comedian who also served as a Minden Hills councillor for one term.

The first night of cabaret featured James Gilpin of Horseshoe Lake, magician and illusionist Dr. Abara, and local band Dark is Our Danger.

The event will be held on the third Thursday of every month with a different set of performers. Tickets are \$7 per person.

It's not appropriate for young children due to some of the mature content.

"You've got to expect a few cuss words every now and again," said Gall.

Stone 21 was known as the Heatherwood before it underwent renovations.

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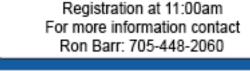
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Highlander arts

Group of Seven work found in cottage What's Up

Forget about all the hype surrounding the Lawren Harris exhibition at the Art Gallery of Ontario (AGO) in Toronto, because a painting by

because a painting by another Group of Seven founding member has been found locally, and it's presently residing, at the Ethel Curry Gallery in Haliburton.

Now, before proceeding, here is some background information on the Group. For those of you who don't know all the founding members (and I confess that trying to remember all their names is akin to remembering the names of Snow White's seven dwarfs), here they are; Franklin Carmichael (1890-1945), Lawren Harris (1885–1970), A. Y. Jackson (1882–1974), Frank (Franz) Johnston (1888-1949), Arthur Lismer (1885–1969), J. E. H. MacDonald (1873-1932), and Frederick Varley (1881–1969).

In 1926, A. J. Casson (1898–1992) was invited to join. Edwin Holgate (1892–1977) became a member in 1930; and LeMoine FitzGerald (1890–1956) joined in 1932. Incidentally, Tom Thompson, though he

had a significant influence on the Group, was never an official member.

But it's Franz Johnston who we're concerned with today, because it's an oil painting by him which was recently discovered in a Haliburton-area cottage. Today, Johnston is a lesser-known member of the Group, but when the members held their first exhibition at the Art Gallery



This Franz Johnston painting was recently discovered in a Haliburton area cottage. *Photo Submitted*.

of Toronto (now the AGO), Johnston exhibited and sold more paintings than any other Group member. And at a time when many Canadian artists struggled to support themselves through their art, Johnston attained substantial financial success.

I talked recently with Ethel Curry Gallery owner Wayne Hooks, who related the story of how he came to be in possession of a Group of Seven painting. "A local man, (who chooses to remain anonymous), discovered the piece, along with four other paintings, not by the Group of Seven, in a relative's cottage," Hooks said. "This person was concerned about them getting damaged. He'd already had the pieces appraised when he brought them to me in December of 2015. But before he brought them in I went over to his place to see them."

What Hooks saw when he looked at the Johnston piece was a small (6 x 8.5 inch), untitled oil painting, of a sun-dappled, woodland scene, depicted in shades of green and brown. The piece is signed on the front, and on the back are the initials F.J. and the date, June 1920. The original price of \$116 can also faintly be seen. "What struck me was that here we were with an original Group of Seven painting that almost no one had seen in close to 100 years," Hooks said.

The little painting needs some restoration work. The board on which the scene is painted is warped, which probably cannot be rectified, and the original frame is also not in the best of shape, "but it's all part of its charm," according to Hooks. The work is in serious need of a professional cleaning and

when that is done the colours will be sure to pop out and give the piece more presence.

Hooks thinks that it might have been a study for a larger piece. "Today artists will take a photo back to the studio for reference," Hooks said. "Back then many of them would make a quick impression (in miniature), as a memory aid, to work on later, but we don't know whether there is

a larger version out there."



By George Farrell

gentleman who brought the piece to Hooks' attention wants Wayne to keep it in his gallery in order to keep it safe, but also to be seen by potential buyers. To that end the painting sits in a nice, glass-fronted cabinet that Hooks made himself, and is displayed in the gallery, along with information on Franz Johnston. The untitled piece has been appraised in the low five figure range, but that price is only a starting point, and if several buyers were interested, it could go much higher.

"There has been some interest by one of our customers who has purchased a number of paintings by Brian Atyeo," Hooks revealed. Atyeo is the artist whose works have sold extremely well in the Ethel Curry Gallery. One of the other paintings found with the Johnston, and which now also resides in the gallery, is by listed Canadian artist, Thomas Mitchell.

It's a much larger piece than the Johnston, and it too is a landscape that needs cleaning. But if you take out the historic significance of the Group of Seven, the Mitchell piece would certainly be the more impressive of the two. Titled 'Hills of Home,' it has also been appraised in the low five figures, though at about half of what the Johnston painting is estimated to be worth.

The Ethel Curry is a gem of a gallery, chock full of wonderful art, and quite frankly there are pieces on the walls, several by Atyeo for instance, and one called Dysart Counsellors by Terry Wright, that I much prefer over the Mitchell and Johnston paintings. Having said that you really should see the painting by Franz Johnston, as it might be the only opportunity you'll get to see a Group of Seven original in the Highlands.

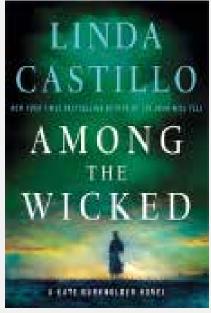
The Ethel Curry Gallery is open seven days a week in the summer months. More information can be found at theethelcurrygallery.com



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Haliburton County's Hot Reads

The following are popular new additions to the Haliburton County Public Library's collection this week.



HCPL's TOP FICTION

- 1. Among The Wicked by Linda Castillo
- 2. Die Of Shame by Mark Billingham
- 3. Killer Look by Linda Fairstein

HCPL's TOP NON-FICTION

- 1. Eaton Hall: pride of King Township by Kelly Matthews
- 2. Being A Beast: adventures across the species divide by Charles Foster
- 3. The Ultimate Guide To Pain Management by Mia Soleil

HCPL's TOP JUNIOR TITLES

- 1. *Night Of The Ninth Dragon* by Mary Pope Osborne (JF)
- 2. *Before We Go Extinct* by Karen Rivers (YA)

AUDIO and VIDEO at HCPL

- 1. Batman v Superman: dawn of justice (DVD)
- 2. *The Singles Game* by Lauren Weisberger (Book on CD)

LIBRARY NEWS

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Question & answer with Margison

With the Highlands Opera Studio kicking off its season next Thursday, Aug. 4 with artistic director Richard Margison offering masterclasses, *The Highlander* did an interview with Margison this past week.

Question: 10 years is quite a milestone...how are you feeling about

Answer: It is hard to believe that Highlands Opera Studio is celebrating its tenth season this August. In 2007, we had seven young professional singers and a program length of three weeks. As a result of our endless hours of preparation for each year, we have seen the studio grow to a five to six week program including 20-25 young professional singers and one collaborative pianist. Today, Highlands Opera Studio is recognized as one of the most sought after programs of its kind, not only in Canada but around the world. It has been an incredible journey since our first season.

As the first day of our 10th anniversary season approaches, Valerie and I can see the end result of our time-consuming preparation throughout the years finally coming together. We are also thankful to have Melissa Stephens with us and the many volunteers and members of the community who have embraced us so warmly.

Question: How do you prepare for the masterclasses? Is it basically the same thing every year or do you make changes? If so, what changes.

Answer: Having spent the last 30 years performing in all of the world's major opera houses, including 15 seasons as a leading tenor at the Metropolitan Opera, it is now my joy to mentor the next generation of opera singers.

I really look forward to the masterclasses. We communicate with each artist a month before the program starts and get the selection they wish to sing. I have to acquaint myself with each aria so that I can help the singers find ways to achieve the best possible performance of the piece. It is a wonderful opportunity for the public to hear and meet these singers, and to see how we work to improve their presentation vocally, emotionally and musically. We also focus on correct pronunciation (diction) of all of the different languages singers have to perform.

Question: You have your HOS participants...and some VIP pass holders attending...what can both groups expect?



Richard Margison. Submitted.

Answer: Our masterclasses are open to everybody and we (encourage) everybody to attend this relaxed insight into the world of opera.

The masterclasses are the first opportunity for the general public to hear the current season's singers. It is a wonderful way for all audience members to meet and hear these talented young professional singers and have a context with which to watch them grow as artists over the course of the five-week program.

Question: What can you say to entice the non-believers to buy tickets and come on out...

Answer: Some people believe that opera and classical singing is elitist and only for opera snobs! On the contrary, it is totally accessible to everyone if you give it a chance. After all, it was the pop music of its day! The music is beautiful and the stories are human. It is amazing to see first time audience members moved to tears by the sheer beauty and power of hearing the unamplified human voice close up. I defy anyone to leave without being touched by this experience.

Question: Any idea where graduates of the program are now...who has gone on to bigger and better things so to speak... thanks in large part to your master classes...

Answer: Since our beginning 10 years ago, many of our participants have been signed on by international agents who they have met, worked with through our program. This is a result not only of the masterclasses, but also due to every aspect of what the program has to offer in top level professional training and networking opportunities.

There are many singers who are now singing all over the world in major opera houses as a result of their participation in HOS. It is thrilling for Valerie and I to see these talented young singers realizing their dreams in large part due to their participation in HOS.

Question: What are your thoughts on opera in general and as a profession?

Answer: Opera is probably the most kaleidoscopic art form around today. It not only has great singing, great drama, sets, costumes, lighting, orchestra, chorus and even sometimes ballet. The fact that opera is still being performed around the world today is not only due to great music and stories, but because of the way the power and beauty of the human voice can touch us to our very soul. It is a thrill to be a part of this industry, and to not only have the opportunity to perform with incredible colleagues all over the world but to be a Canadian musical ambassador while travelling the world.

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Local opera singer competes in Germany

By Justin van Lieshout

After qualifying rounds in Toronto, Stockholm, Berlin, Shenzhen, São Paulo, Paris and Moscow, the Meistersinger from Nürnberg finals happened last evening in Germany.

After months of tireless preparation, Lauren Margison, daughter of internationally acclaimed opera singer Richard Margison, headed to Germany to compete in the semi-final and final rounds.

The competition sees applications from singers worldwide, and with more than 500 submissions, Margison is one of 24 that made it to the semi-final round.

Along with three other Canadians, Margison went to Germany to participate in the semi-finals on Monday night, and later advanced to the finals held on Wednesday. With results coming in today, everyone is extremely proud of her performance in the European city.

Accompanied by the Nüremberg State Philharmonic Orchestra, the winners of the competition will perform this evening in an annual open-air music festival that celebrates the anniversary of the death of Hans Sachs, a German playwright and shoemaker.

Participants in the final rounds submitted six arias to a jury that then narrowed the

selection to a singular competition piece.

"It's just about constantly working to polish, polish, polish," explains Margison, who points out that she didn't have to learn new music, but rather perfect her repertoire in preparation.

While Lauren's performance was sure to be breathtaking, locals will get a chance to see her perform in this season of the Highlands Opera Studio line up.

Staring as Marguerite in the HOS production of Faust, Margison will be in Haliburton at the end of Auguts.





Lauren Margison outside of the Nüremberg Opera House. Submitted.





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Highlands Opera Studio profiles

The Highlander will be profiling some of the young opera talent coming to the county for the upcoming Highland Opera Studio season.



France Bellemare

from a small town called St-Félicien, Que. but now living in Montreal. It is very exciting to be performing the role of Marguerite in Faust on Aug. 28 and 31 as it is one of

my favourite operas. It is absolutely fantastic to have the chance to sing the role in a safe and well managed program like Highlands Opera Studio. Many of my friends who have had the opportunity to participate in this program have told me that Haliburton is a wonderful place. I am looking forward to visiting The Highlands."

In June 2015, the young Canadian soprano won third place at the Montreal International Music Competition. Recipient of the prestigious Jacqueline Desmarais Foundation since 2013, she completed three years of training with the Atelier lyrique de l'Opéra de Montréal in May 2016. In 2013, she

took part in the Jeunesse Musicales du Canada tour in which she sang Mimi (La Bohème). Since September 2013, Bellemare has performed many roles, such as; Rose (Lakmé), Anna (Nabucco), Madeleine (Silent Night), Die Vertraute (Elektra) at the Opéra de Montréal, Gertrud (Hänsel und Gretel) with Atelier Lyrique, La femme (La voix humaine) with McGill Chamber Orchestra, Suzel (L'Amico Fritz) with L'Institut Canadien d'Art Vocal de Montréal, First Lady (Die Zauberflöte) with Opéra de Québec and Branghien (Le vin herbé) with Ballet-Opéra-Pantomime. During the past year, she also took part in many concerts with several organizations such as: l'Orchestre Symphonique de Montréal, l'Orchestre Symphonique de Drummondville, McGill chamber Orchestra and l'Orchestre de la Francophonie. In January 2017, she will make her debut singing Ravel's Shéhérazade with the Regina Symphony Orchestra in Regina. During the Opéra de Montréal 2016-2017 season, Bellemare will sing the role of Pink's mother in the world premiere opera Another Brick in the Wall (March 2017). Also, she will perform her first leading role in Opéra de Montréal singing Mimi in Puccini's La Bohème (May, 2017).



Andrew Derynck

"I am 23 come from Jeanettes Creek, ON. I am excited for the opportunity to continue developing my musical skills while being guided by professionals in the field. I am also

looking forward to meeting and networking with other professionals while immersed in the beauty of Haliburton, allowing my passions for music and nature to meld together."

"I am 23 A tenor, Derynck will perform as years old and come from Aug 20 and as the rooster in The Bremen Town Musicians, also on Aug. 20.

Having completed a Bachelor of Music in vocal performance at Wilfrid Laurier University, Derynck is now pursuing an opera diploma. No novice to the stage, he has performed as Little Bat Mclean in Susannah, and as the School Master in The Cunning Little Vixen. Along with excerpts as Alfredo in La Traviata and Hoffman in Les Contes d'Hoffman for Opera Laurier. In 2014, Derynck had the pleasure of traveling to Spain to participate in the workshop at the Festival Internacional de Música Clásica de Ribadeo.



Katrina Westin

"I am 27 years old and come from Halifax, N.S.. I am looking forward to the program because I can't imagine a better way to spend my summer than taking part in the amazing

creative immersion that Highlands Opera Studio offers in beautiful Haliburton County."

Westin will play Siebel in Faust on Aug. 30 and Sept. 1.

A mezzo soprano, Westin recently completed a tour of Eastern Canada with Jeunesses Musicales du Canada, appearing as Stephano and Gertrude in their production of Gounod's Roméo et Juliette.

A recent graduate of McGill University, Westin is a two-time

alumna of the prestigious Franz Schubert Institut where she had the pleasure of working with such great song interpreters as Robert Holl, Elly Ameling, Roger Vignoles, and Christa Ludwig.

She is a laureate of the Jeunes Ambassadeurs Lyriques, a former Jacqueline Desmarais Foundation award holder, and a recipient of the Joseph-Armand Bombardier Graduate Scholarship from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council for her research on Nova Scotian contralto, Portia White.

Most recently, Westin was awarded the Sheila K. Piercey Rose Bowl by the Federation of Nova Scotia Music Festivals, and both the President's Cup and the Gordon and Irene MacKinnon Memorial Rose Bowl at the Nova Scotia Kiwanis Music Festival.

Westin is thrilled to be spending her summer 2016 appearing on stage at Highlands Opera Studio as Siebel in Faust and at the Chester Playhouse Theatre as Ms. Thorn in Ruthless!



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THANKS SO MUCH to our wonderful children Ted & Ingun, Darnell & Sarah for all their hard work in organizing to make our 50th Wedding Anniversary such a memorable occasion. To all of our family, friends and neighbours who attended, for the cards, gifts, phone calls, Facebook messages and to everyone for the best wishes. John and I felt very loved and evervone made it a perfect day. John & Rhonda Francis

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE for supporting our Strawberry Supper, boutique and bake sale making 2016 another successful year. Thank you to The Highlander, Echo, Canoe and Moose for promoting our annual dinner. Have a great summer and we look forward to seeing you at the Soup and Sandwich in October. Ingoldsby **UCW**

FOR RENT

ROOM FOR RENT in Haliburton Village. Satellite TV, Wifi, private fridge, full kitchen privileges. Non-smoker, student/ working female. \$400/ mth. August 01. Call 705-455-9881

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IS KIBBLE KILLING YOUR CAT? To find the answer go to Website:.catinfo.org

MOVING SALE

CONTENTS MOVING SALE. Bunk beds, love seat, swivel rockers tv/ microwave stand, TVs lamps, carpet, picnic tables, dressers, stools, glasswear, outdoor furniture, blanket box and electric dryer 705-286-1363

Classifieds

705-457-2900

FULL DAY NAVIGATION WORKSHOP. August 7th, 9 am - 5 pm.(Pre-Register by Aug 6) \$75 Adult / \$50 Youth.

DeepRootsAdventure.

com 705-754-0628

FULL DAY SURVIVAL WORKSHOP. August 28th, 9 am - 5 pm. \$115 at Head Lake Park, Adult / \$90. Youth. Survival Essentials Kit Included. PRE-**REGISTER by Aug 25** DeepRootsAdventure. com 705-854-0628

CALLING ALL ISAIAH HICKS CLAN.

50th annual Hicks reunion, Sat. Aug 6, 11am -7pm. New this year, live music, door prizes, and clan wars. All dav activities with interactive games for all age groups. Traditional pot luck lunch, new corn and pulled pork supper! Check us out on Facebook! the Isaiah Hicks family page.

TUESDAYS - Join us for a free tour of the Haliburton Sculpture Forest to learn about our sculptures, artists, and the history of our Sculpture Forest. 297 College Drive, Haliburton. Date: July 5, 12, 19, 26, and August 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 at 10am Website: haliburtonsculpture forest.ca

EVENTS

TUESDAYS -MUSIC IN THE PARK. Presented by The Rotary Club of Haliburton. July 5 to August 9 - Head Lake Park – 7pm. Admission by Donation

HALIBURTON COUNTY FARMERS' MARKET: Haliburton Tuesdays 12:00 pm – 4:00pm (May 17 – Oct 4). Carnarvon: Hwys 118 & 35 Fridays 12:00pm - 4:00pm (June 17-Oct 7). Minden Saturdays in the municipal parking lot 10:am - 2:00pm (June 18 – Oct 8)

EVERY TUESDAY. Royal Canadian Legion Branch 519, Coboconk Progressive euchre at 1:00pm.

EVERY TUESDAY. Eurchre at West **Guilford Community** Center 7:00 p.m. For information, call 705-754-2464

ABBEY GARDENS Food Hub is open 7 days a week from 10am-6pm and Fridays from 10am-10pm for all of July and August. Garden Gate Drive, Haliburton. We are

10 minutes from the village of Haliburton, towards Carnarvoniust off the 118 highway, fronting on Green Lake

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS Stroke Support Group meets the third Thursday of each month at the Fireside Lounge, Highland Crest, Minden 10:00am-noon. Contact Lois Rigney 705-286-1765

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP open to anyone who has been diagnosed with or survived cancer. We meet the 3rd Tuesday of every month in the Ruth Parkes Room at the Haliburton Hospital from 1:00-3:00pm. Please contact Lynn Higgs Thompson 705-457-2941 for more information.

Alcoholics Anonymous - we care Meetings: Thursdays 12:00-1:00 pm, Sundays 10:30-11:30am. St. Anthony's 27 Victoria Street, Haliburton. All welcome. 705-324-9900.

Classifieds 705-457-2900

AL-ANON - we care, are you troubled by someone's drinking? Meetings: Tuesday 7:00-8:00 pm, St. Anthony's 27 Victoria Street, Haliburton. All welcome.

VON SMART exercise program for balance. strength and flexibility. Minden on Tuesdays at 11:00am in the Hyland Crest auditorium and in Haliburton on Thursdays at 1:00pm at Echo Hills. For more info contact Judy Webb at 705-286-5098 or Carol Browne at 705-457-4551

Every Monday Pickle Ball – Lloyd Watson Centre - 3:30pm -6:00pm

Every Tuesday and Thursday Squash House League -7:30pm Highlands Squash Club – beside A.J. LaRue Arena – all welcome info@ mysquash.ca

OBITUARIES



In Loving Memory of

Oswald "Oz" Kenneth Hunter

Passed away peacefully at the Peterborough Regional Health Centre on Monday, July 18, 2016, with his family by his side, at the age of 74.

Beloved son of the late Marjorie and Bill Hunter. Dear father of Micheal Ashley (Jeremy), Caitlan (Matt), Shelby and great grandfather of Elyse, Madison, Deanna and Jaxon. Lovingly remembered by his family and

In keeping with Oz's wishes, cremation has taken place. Private Family Interment at the Glamorgan Cemetery in Gooderham.

Memorial Donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated by the family and can be arranged through the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., P.O. Box 427 Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0.

www.gordonmonkfuneralhome.com

EVENTS

WINTERGREEN MAPLE SYRUP AND PANCAKE BARN 3325 GELERT RD. Minden ON

Blueberry Social 9 a.m. To 4 p.m. Sat. July 30 and Sun. July 31, Mon Aug.1

Sat. Aug. 6 and Sun. Aug. 7 also Sat. Aug. 13 and Sun Aug. 14

PLEASE NOTE... WE WILL BE CLOSED AT 2 P.M. ON SAT. AUG. 6 & 13 FOR WEDDINGS ON SITE.

- Wintergreen creates fresh fruit delights with real whipped cream topped with maple syrup and of course fresh blueberries.
- Come on over and taste test our BBQ sauces, jam, jellies, mustards, fruit syrups and homemade preserves.
- Have your cake and experience it too... crepes, pancakes, sausages, maple baked beans, french toast topped with fresh blueberries.
- We also serve Wintergreen pulled pork on fresh bread.

Calendar of Events available. Call at any time to purchase retail products, cash or cheque only. Kitchen closes at 3 p.m. Retail open until 4 p.m.

wintergreenmapleproducts.com dawson.wintergreen@sympatico.ca 705-286-3202

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Employment Centre

- Over 55?
- Need a Job?

Info Sessions August 16, 17, 18 & 19

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Or Email to: cnh_haliburton@extendicare.com Phone: 705-457-1722 Fax: 705-457-3914

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SALE OF LAND BY PUBLIC TENDER

THE CORPORATION OF THE UNITED TOWNSHIPS OF DYSART, DUDLEY, HARCOURT, GULFORD, HARBURN, BRUTON, HAVELOCK, EYREAND CLYDE

Take Notice that tenders are invited for the purchase of the land described below and will be received until 3:00 p.m. local time on August 25, 2016, at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton Ontario

The tenders will then be opened in public on the same day as soon as possible after 3:00 p.m. at the Dysart et al Municipal Office, 135 Maple Avenue, Haliburton.

Description of Lands:

Roll No. 46 24 040 000 11400 0000; PIN 39146-0111(LT); Lot 23 Plan 580; Dysart et al. File No. 15-02

Minimum Tender Amount: \$5,707.14

Tenders must be submitted in the prescribed form and must be accompanied by a deposit in the form of a money order or of a bank draft or cheque certified. by a bank or trust corporation payable to the Municipality of Dysart et al and representing at least 20 per cent of the tender amount.

Except as follows, the municipality makes no representation regarding the filte to or any other matters relating to the land to be sold. Responsibility for ascertaining these matters rests with the potential

This sale is governed by the Municipal Act, 2001 and the Municipal Tax Sales Rules made under that Act. The successful purchaser will be required to pay the amount tendered plus accumulated taxes, HST if applicable and the

The municipality has no obligation to provide vacant possession to the successful purchaser. For further information regarding this sale and a copy of the prescribed form of tender, visit www.dysartetal.ca or if no internet access available, contact:

Cindy Watson Tax Collector The Corporation of the United Townships of Dysart et al. P.O. Box 389 135 Maple Avenue Haliburton ON KOM 150 (705) 457-1740 Ext. 30



Township of Algonquin Highlands

Environmental Coordinator

The Township of Algonquin Highlands with a permanent population of 2,000 and a seasonal population exceeding 10,000 is known within Central Ontario as an area of natural beauty where residents enjoy a rural lifestyle second to none

The Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications from experienced, qualified persons for the position of Environmental Coordinator. Reporting to the Operations Manager, the Environmental Coordinator is responsible for developing, implementing and administering waste diversion programs and initiatives, including education and promotion, and assisting in the administration of the Township's solid waste management program. The Environmental Coordinator provides overall support to the Operations Manager.

This position is also the website administrator for the Township.

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- Post-secondary education in Environmental studies Minimum of two (2) years relevant experience preferably in the
- municipal sector: Sound knowledge of principles, objectives, methods and procedures
- applicable to waste diversion; Working knowledge of provincial legislation, regulations and guidelines relating to waste diversion in Ontario;
- Proficiency and experience with the Microsoft Office Suite;
- Ability to work independently as well as in a team environment; Excellent organizational, problem-solving,
- communication, presentation and public speaking skills; Graphic design skills/training is an asset
- A valid "G" Driver's Licence for the Province of Ontario with a Clean

Wage Range: \$25.73 - \$28.96 (35 hours/week)
The Township of Algonquin Highlands is an equal opportunity employer. In accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, the information gathered will be used solely for the purpose of job selection. We thank all applicants; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Visit our website at: www.algonquinhighlands.ca for the full job description.

Please submit your resume and cover letter, in confidence, by 3:00 p.m. on Friday, August 5, 2016 to:

Mike Thomas, Operations Manager Township of Algonquin Highlands 1123 North Shore Road Algonquin Highlands, ON K0M 1J1 Email: mthomas@algonquinhighlands.ca



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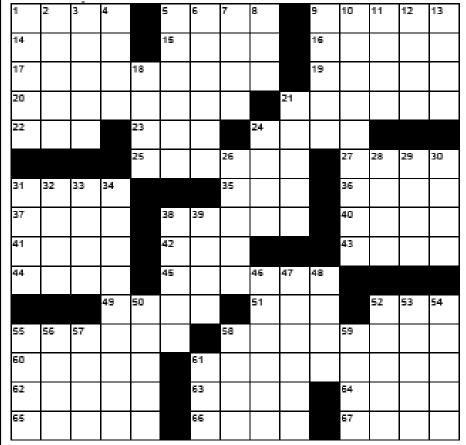
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The Township of Minden Hills and the Township of Algonquin Highlands

2016 HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAYS



NOTICE TO ALL RATEPAYERS

For the Ratepayers of the Township of Minden Hills will be held on the following

dates at the Scotch Line Landfill Site

8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

July 30 September 3

For the Ratepayers of the TOWNSHIP OF MINDEN HILLS For further information, please call: (705) 286-1260 ext 216 For the Ratepayers of the Township of Algonquin Highlands will be held on the following dates at the following respective locations from

1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

July 30 September 3 October 8 Oxtongue Lake Landfill Dorset Landfill Maple Lake Landfill

For the Ratepayers of the TOWNSHIP OF ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS For further information, please call: (705) 489-2379

ACCEPTABLE HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE CLASSES

Latex and oil paints, finishing products e.g. varnish, glues, etc.; used motor oil and oil filters; auto and household batteries; propane tanks and cylinders; cleaners e.g. bleach, oven cleaner, etc.; aerosol cans; solvents e.g. Varsol, paint thinners; pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers; pool/hot tub chemicals; florescent tubes/bulbs.

UNACCEPTABLE WASTE CLASSES

Industrial waste; needles/sharps; PCBs; radioactives; pathological waste



LANDFILL USER ID CARDS HUST BE SHOWN

GARAGE/YARD SALES

MOVING SALE EVERY DAY 8am – 5pm July 23 to August 1st. Tools, furniture, household goods, carpentry tools. 1109 Tiffany Lane, Minden. Bobcaygeon to Deep Bay, left at Tiffany Lane.

HUGE GARAGE SALE. Kinmount Baptist Church. Saturday July 30 at 8:00am. Furniture, snowblower, children's clothing and miscellaneous. 4937 Monck Road.

BEST Downsizing Sale, over 50 yrs collecting Saturday July 30 - 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. - 1678 Horseshoe Lake Road

BIG YARD SALE. Lots of stuff. Great prices. Saturday July 30 8 am – 4 pm. 2034 Blairhampton Road, Minden Hills.

YARD SALE. Saturday July 30/16. 9AM - 4PM. Rain or Shine. 2355 Kashawigamog Rd #18. Toys, wood furniture and kitchen things. Stacked washer/ dryer. Ceiling fan. Fireplace insert. NO

VERY LARGE YARD SALE. Assortment from toys to dishes and small appliances, also a picnic table with benches. 2408 South Lake Rd, Minden all weekend from 9 am – 4 pm

LARGE INDOOR BARN GARAGE SALE. 1039 Busy Road. Near Stanhope Airport. Saturday July 30th, 8-5. Sunday July 31st 8-12. Antiques, vintage, glassware, tools, garden decor. MORE STUFF ADDED!



PREVIOUS WEEK'S ANSWERS

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2016 Summer Program Schedule

Free Family Events in Minden start at 6:00pm



Up River Trading Lo. **Thurs. July 28** - Haliburton Time Travellers at Canadian Tire

Wed. August 3 - Kayak on the Gull River

Meet opposite the post office on Invergordon Avenue

Thurs. August 11 - Haliburton Time Travellers at Canadian Tire

Call Lynda Litwin for more details 705-286-2911 ext 235













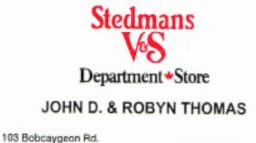












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What's on

JULY & AUGUST 2016 EVENTS - sponsored by 2016 Hike Haliburton!

SUNDAY for body & soul

Day Camp 8:30, Zumba 9:30, Volleyball 5, Zumba 7, Family Soccer 7 - at the Dorset Rec Centre

Hallburton School of The Arts - Katherine Wheatley (free) performance

Rec Centre

Day Camp 8:30, 'En Piein Library 10 - at the Dorset Air Art Class 9, Yoga/Alle Recreation Centre email recreation@ 10. Creative Hands Arts Class 1:30—at the Dorset algonquinhighlands.ca

10th Annual Tour De Forest Summer Studio Tour

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SATURDAY

Stzziln' Summer Service 10:30 am at Head Lake Park, Hallburton. Donations to 4 C's heating fund. For Info contact Harry Morgan 705-457-1891

AUGUST

Aug. 1-5 -Day Camp ages 6-12, 9am to 4 pm - Hallburton United Church 705-887-3625 Monarch Bible Camp

Wilberforce Legion - Bid Euchre 7: 00pm

MUSIC IN THE PARK -Head Lake Park, Hallburton 7 PM - Rick Fines

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 519, Coboconk Progressive euchre at 1:00cm.

Drawing&Painting + Early Settlers Food + Canadian Space Camp -Minden Hills Cultural Centre -mindenhilis.ca/culturalcentre

Wilberforce Legion - Fun Darts 7:30pm

Pick up your new edition of The Highlander

Wilberforce Fair 6 p.m. Great family fun. WilberforceFair.com

Whisky Jack-Stompin' Tom Tribute. Music starts at 9pm at the Lloyd Watson Memorial Centre In Wilberforce, 705-457-8438

Wilberforce Fair 9 a.m. Great family fun. Parade at 9 a.m. WilberforceFair.com.

Minden Lions Club Charity Golf Tournament at Biairhampton Golf Course 11:00 am Registration. Contact Information (for the event):

Brian Moore 705-286-6476

Aug. 8-12 - Day Camp ages 6-12, 9am to 4 pm - Fenelon Falls 705-887-3625 Monarch Bible Camp

MUSIC IN THE PARK -Head Lake Park, Hallburton 7 PM - Dark is Our Danger

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 519, Coboconk Progressive euchre at Clay Creation + Early Settlers Apparel + Mineral &Geology - Minden Hillis Cultural Centre -mindenhilis.ca/culturalcentre

FREE Seed Saving 101 Workshop – Minden

Minden and District Horticultural Society's 37th Annual Flower Show 7-9pm-Minden Community

Campfire Concert Series with David Archibald and Three Musiketeers Youth Musical Group 2pm children's concert, 7:30pm campfire concert.

Royal Canadian Legion Branch 519, Coboconk. Country Jamboree 1-5pm, Open Mic, Cost \$8.00 per

Aug. 14-20 - RESIDENT CAMP - Ennismore 705-887-3625 Monarch Bible Camp



Royal Canadian Legion Branch 519, Coboconk Progressive euchre at

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Oli Pastel Repel + Logger's Camp + Climate Questions - Minden Hillis Cultural Centre -mindenhilis.ca/cultural-



Royal Canadian Legion Branch 519, Coboconk. Progressive Euchre @7:00pm, \$5.00 per person - Potluck Lunch

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION EVENTS

HALIBURTON BRANCH

General meeting, 2nd Thursday, 7:30 Ladles auxiliary, last Thursday, 1 p.m.

Meat draw, Fridays, 4:30-6:30 p.m. \$2/ draw, five draws/five prizes, Chester Howse, MC Cribbage, Friday, 1 p.m.

Friday Fun Darts, 4:30 p.m. 50/50 Draw, Saturday, 4 p.m., tickets are \$1 each and are available from

Breakfast, 2nd and 4th Sunday, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m., \$6/person. Occasional volunteers needed.

Bridge, Monday, 1 p.m. Tuesday night open darts, Tuesdays, Bid euchre, Wednesday, 1 p.m. Bingo, Wednesday, doors open 6 p.m., \$500 jackpot, \$1,000 jackpot last Wednesday of the month. Live entertainment featuring Hallburton's own Gord Kidd & Friends at the Hallburton Legion Club Room on Saturday, July 23 from 4 to 7 p.m. Enjoy pulled pork on a bun prepared by the Ladies Auxillary for only \$6. Plus, for just a loonle, don't miss out on the 50/50 draw at 6 p.m. There's a \$5

MINDEN BRANCH

cover charge for non-members.

General meeting, first Wednesday of

each month, 7:30 p.m. start Ladles darts, Wednesday, 1-4 p.m. Euchre, Thursday, 7 p.m. Fish/wings & chips, Friday, 12-2 p.m. and 5-7 p.m.

Mixed darts, Friday 7:30 p.m. Big euchre, first Sunday of the month (except holidays), noon, \$12 Sports fan day, Sunday, 12-5 p.m. Lunch menu, Monday - Friday, 12-2

Liver lovers' special, Tuesday 12-2 p.m. (full menu also) Meat draws, Wednesday lunch time. Watch for local posters and listen to Canoe FM, and Moose FM, for special events on Saturdays.

WILBERFORCE BRANCH

Pool 1:30 p.m. Community Care 55+ Lunch noon Please call Doreen DeGrave to reserve 705-457-4994. Everyone 55+ Welcome Jam Session 7:30 p.m.

Saturday Meat draw 2 p.m. - Early Bird 3pm

Monday Bid euchre 7 p.m. Beginners welcome! Tuesday - executive meeting 7 p.m. Wednesday Fun darts 7:30 p.m. Thursday

Youth League - 6:30-8:30 p.m. Upcoming Event

Spaghetti Dinner – Lloyd Watson Centre 4-6 p.m. In support of the 2nd annual Corporal Geoffrey Cook Vet to Vet Retreat Weekend. \$8 per person participant in the Wilberforce Summer Carnival.

Sunday - Horseshoes - Civic Long Weekend - \$10 entry fee - pre register at the branch. Spots guaranteed for the 1st 32 paid participants. Food available for purchase. Cash Prizes, 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Come out and have some fun!



What's on

Carnival fundraiser for Old Number One

Wilberforce event set for this weekend

By Lisa Gervais

One little fire truck has created a huge weekend in Wilberforce.

The Highlands East Fire Heritage Committee is raising money to restore the municipality's first fire truck – a 1942 Ford pumper – known as Old Number One.

With about one-fifth of the cash for the \$25,000 project raised, the committee has come up with the first-ever Wilberforce Summer Carnival – to be held this long weekend – to raise more money.

Chairman of the committee, Curtis Tighe, who doubles as Highlands East economic development and business coordinator, said the fundraising weekend is near and dear to his heart as he is a third generation volunteer firefighter, following in the footsteps of his dad, Dwain and grandfather, Floyd.

In fact, Floyd was the fire chief for Monmouth. The volunteers there chipped in 50 cents each a meeting to raise the money to buy what was then a used military truck and convert it into a pumper. (please see related story)

Tighe said he grew up attending the Country Good Times and suggested this weekend's event.

"The reason that we are doing is that we want to pay homage to volunteer firefighters past and present, and we want the 1942 Ford pumper to lead parades, be in community events and to use it for recruitment."

Part of the carnival proceeds – from donations at the gate and the Saturday night concert featuring Trainwreck X - are going to the restoration, Tighe said.

He noted that Trainwreck X drummer, Jeremy Huffman, is a Wilberforce lad and was quick to get his band onboard.

It promises to be an action-packed weekend from about noon tomorrow until 5 p.m. Sunday.

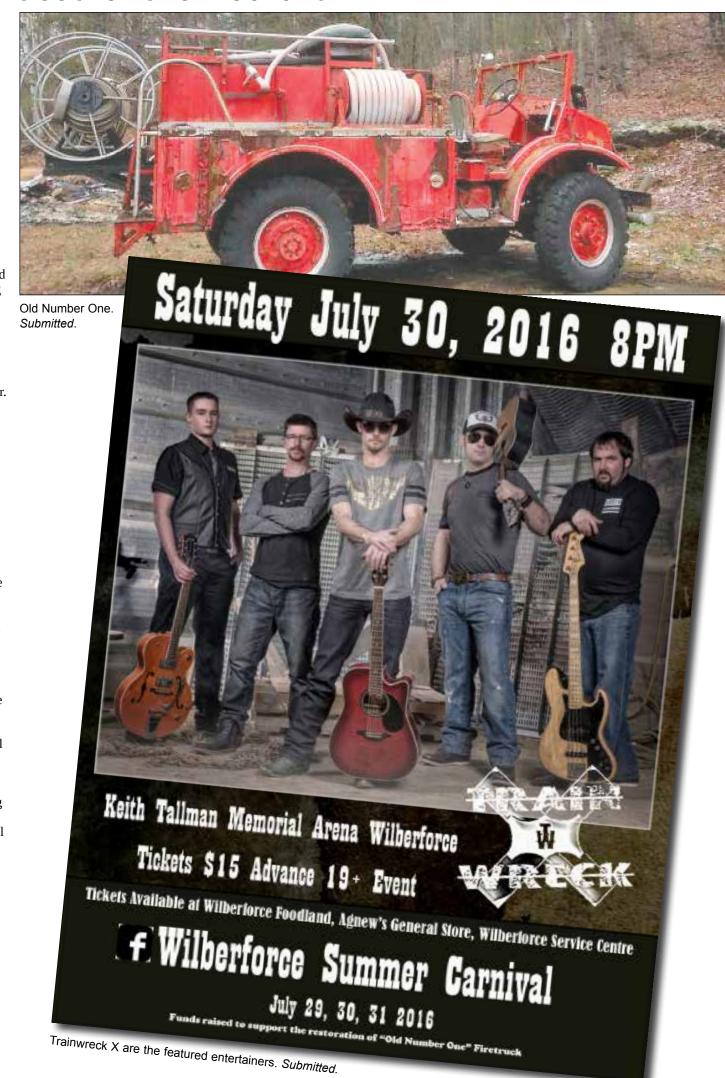
Some of the highlights include the Gable Bros Shows Midway, running from noon to 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday and from noon to 5 p.m. Sunday. People can ride all day for \$20 in advance or \$30 at the gate. There will also be a car show, hosted by the Highlands East Food Hub, and a flea market, hosted by the Wilberforce Curling Club at the their arena.

The Highlands East Fire Department will be flipping burgers all weekend too.

Not surprisingly, Saturday is the busiest day.

In addition to all of the weekend-long activities, Saturday sees a spaghetti dinner from 5 to 8 p.m., hosted by the Wilberforce Legion Vet to Vet Program; kids activities, and at 8 p.m., the Trainwreck 19+ concert hosted by the Highlands East Fire Heritage Committee.

Parking is available all weekend long at Wilberforce Planing Mill and Wilberforce Community Garden.



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